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CHANG'S MISSION TO CANTON

To Investigate Activities Of Nationalist Gov't MAY RESUME LEADERSHIP

Canton, July 14.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, the Premier, announced today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had come to Canton to investigate the activities of the Government and to set in motion the Supreme Political Council, whose session opens in the next few days.

Wu Te-chen Leaving For Tokyo

Canton, July 14. General Wu Te-chen, member of the new Emergency Council and former Foreign Minister, confirmed today he is going to Tokyo shortly on what is believed to be mission related to the Chiang Kai-shek-Quirino conference at Baguio on an All-Asian front against Communism.

General Wu stressed he will make the trip in an unofficial capacity. At the same time, he said he would call on General Douglas MacArthur and later visit Korea. It was recalled that General Wu from September, 1940, to February, 1941, toured South East Asia in an effort to warn Indo-China, Malaya, the East Indies and the Philippines of the Japanese invasion danger. It is possible, but the general himself would not confirm this, that the forthcoming mission might have the same purpose to warn of Communism's threat to engulf all of Asia.

General Wu went on record, however, on his opinions of Chinese Communism and its relationship with Russia.

"It is no secret the Chinese Communist Party is being used as a tool by the Soviets to attain their ends in world politics. But surprisingly enough the democracies are indifferent to the alarming growth of armed Red power and the rapid Communist territorial expansion in China while at the same time they are trying to stop Red expansion in Europe."

"In direct contrast to the diplomacy of the democracies, the Soviet Union is playing a dual role in world politics and usually gets what she wants. Take the period of 1924 for instance. By instigating an anti-imperialist movement in China at the time the USSR succeeded in breaking an economic blockade and earning diplomatic recognition by the Western powers."

General Wu said the Communists have no fatherland, and added: "They always betray the interests of their own nation and their own people, and the Chinese Communists are no exception." — United Press.

NEW TYPHOON

Manila, July 14. A new Pacific typhoon with winds of 92 miles an hour at its center was located 675 miles East North East of Manila; North Luzon, at 0600 GMT. It was moving West North West. — Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm now centered about 550 miles SE of Okinawa is moving NW at 20 kts. A trough extends from W China across the Eastern Sea and Central Japan. Pressures are relatively high over the Sea of Japan and the China Sea.

Today's Forecast: Light and variable winds. Weather soon fair.

Yesterday's Weather: Partly cloudy.

Maximum: 82 deg. F. Minimum: 74 deg. F. Sunshine: 1.8 hours.

Rainfall: 1.2 mm = 0.04 in. Total since 1/1/49: 12.2 mm = 0.48 in. — Associated Press.

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

Bar. at sea: 1011.5 1008.5 m.h.

Bar. at land: 1011.5 1008.5 m.h.

Wind: 1011.5 1008.5 m.h.

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The Generalissimo will have his second meeting with Acting President Li Tsung-jen tonight. He is expected to stay here only a few days and it is not known whether he will visit the interior of China during his brief stay.

It is unlikely that Generalissimo Chiang will plan any major offensive against the Chinese Communists during his visit. Nor will he hold any military conferences.

Among the officials who will confer with the Generalissimo here are Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, former Foreign Minister, Dr. Sun Fo, who is arriving from Macao, and General Chang Chun, a former Premier and now Szechwan Pacification Headquarters Commander, who is due from Chungking.

After reporting the Canton situation to the Generalissimo, Marshal Yen met foreign correspondents today and reiterated his government's determination to wage a "fight or lose" battle against the Communists without any compromise.

He said the Communists had shown they were not

Urges Fight To Bitter End

Canton, July 14. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek today urged all the people in Kwangtung province to fight the Chinese Communists to a bitter end.

In a written statement, the Generalissimo said: "We face the intrigue of international aggression. We can do nothing but to fight against it."

"I earnestly wish that all peoples will unite under the leadership of Acting President Li Tsung-jen and Premier Yen Hsi-shan to fight against Communism until final victory is achieved."

Chiang said that he will follow the great spirit of Dr. Sun Yat-sen to unite all the Kuomintang members to support the Government to fight for national independence and the people's freedom. — Reuters.

The Marshal declared that the Nationalist Government was not caused by inferior weapons or manpower, but by "corruption, inefficiency and lack of discipline among military units."

The main failure, however, was the under-estimation of the Communist tactics. He said that captured Communist documents indicated that they were using new secret methods.

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How the Leicesters train on a rainy day. Picture shows a machine-gun group under instructions in their sleeping quarters due to the rain. The instructor is Sergeant Haley of Ashton-on-the-Lyne, Manchester. The soldier at the gun is Private F. H. Line of Cambellwell, London and Corporal D. A. McGreave of Nottingham. They are among the Leicesters stationed at Lowu. ("China Mail" Photo).

Foreign Aid

The Premier said that China was hoping for foreign aid but the war would be carried on with or without it. It was up to foreign powers to decide whether China, which was fighting a vanguard action against Communism, was worth aiding.

His interview to newsmen, given through an interpreter, was twice interrupted by telephone calls from Acting-President Li Tsung-jen.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek arrived unexpectedly in Canton at 11 o'clock this morning. His arrival was so unexpected that neither Acting President Li Tsung-jen nor the Premier, Marshal Yen Hsi-shan were at the airport—they had expected him to arrive in the afternoon.

Among the small group who greeted the Generalissimo were General Yu Han-mou, Kwangtung Pacification Headquarters Commander, Dr. Chen Li-fu and Major-General Chiang Ching-kuo, eldest son of the Generalissimo.

Applause broke out from the small group as Chiang stepped out of the four-engine Skymaster which brought him from Taiwan.

He wore a greenish military uniform without a hat. From the aircraft Chiang drove straight to the Executive Yuan, accompanied by General Yu Han-mou, Dr. Chen Li-fu and other high-ranking Kuomintang members.

The Central Political Council and the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang were in session at the Pacification Headquarters when Chiang arrived there. His presence completely surprised those attending the meeting.

The session suddenly came to an end when the Generalissimo walked in as the Premier was addressing the meeting.

Later the Generalissimo drove to the Acting President's residence for a short conference. No details of this are available at present.

Chiang is residing in a specially prepared villa at Plum Blossom Village, beyond Tuenmuen in the outskirts of Canton. He may later move to Whampoa.

Chiang's arrival was interpreted here as a long step toward resuming fully his active leadership of Nationalist China, reports United Press. It was believed he would soon again take over as director-general of the Kuomintang on chairman of the Emergency Committee which will be the brain trust behind the facade of Li Tsung-jen's government.

Acting President Li, who took over when the Generalissimo went on "leave of absence" as president last January, was known to resent his predecessor's return. However, intimates said many of their disagreements have been ironed out through intermediaries.

Acting President Li was still in his residential offices when the Generalissimo reached town, riding in the first car of the unescorted six-car delegation. There were no police nor military precautions taken. There were not even any flags up for a welcome.

The Generalissimo flew here from his headquarters on Taiwan, fresh from a two-day conference with President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippines at Baguio. The Chinese Nationalist leader and the Philippine President agreed to form a United Chinese-Philippine front against Communism and to sponsor a Pacific Union.

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Training Under Canvas

Chinese Troops In Anti-Bandit Drive

More than 2,000 Chinese troops, equipped with automatic rifles, light machine-guns, trench mortars and bazookas, are engaged in clearing the Mira Bay-Shayuchung area of bandits.

Vernacular reports yesterday said that contact with the bandits was made on Wednesday and that the battle is expected to last a few days.

Five hundred troops were sent to the area from the Shumchun garrison and about 2,000 from other garrisons in the Waihow District.

The troops converged on the Shayuchung area on Tuesday in an attempt to surround the bandit hide-out. Shayuchung area is one of the worst bandit-infested areas in South China. Chinese Maritime Customs Stations have not been able to set up permanently there. On one occasion a strong force of bandits wiped out a garrison of more than 200 men at Shayuchung.

Possibility Of U.S. Investments In Commonwealth

London, July 14. Commonwealth economic leaders, met here today for a second day of secret talks on the sterling-dollar deadlock with the possibility of large-scale United States investments in their countries looming large.

Before the talks began, Mr. John Dedman, Australia's representative, threw out a broad hint by saying that Australia would welcome United States investments.

The terms were not onerous, he added. The ministers had already accepted the Anglo-American-Canadian decision to carry the sterling-dollar deadlock to the International Monetary Fund in Washington in September.

They were not thought to be considering whether Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, should represent the whole Commonwealth at the Washington meetings or whether they should all attend, either as members of the Fund or as observers.

Today's meeting of the ministers was preceded by a meeting of their technical advisers and experts, who joined the economic leaders at their talks later.

On Devaluation

Sir Chundilal Mehta, Indian economist, said in London today that it was now clearer than ever that the pound sterling would have to be devalued, despite present efforts to prevent that happening.

"But any devaluation of the pound at this juncture is against the interests of India," he told the Press Trust of India.

Director of 25 companies of shippers, engineers, insurance and paper and silk manufacturers, Sir Chundilal left London today by air for New York, where he hoped to establish his own office.

He said that though the Reserve Bank of India, in its issue and banking department, held sterling balances to the extent of about 800 crores of rupees, no guarantee of compensation existed against sterling devaluation.

There is a school of thought in India at present that the rupee should be devalued, even if the pound is not, he added. "In my opinion, it is not," he added. "In my

Report On Asiatic Economy

Lake Success, July 14.

The Asiatic countries reduced their adverse trade balance by 31 per cent and decreased dollar deficits last year, but the United Nations reported: "Progress cannot by any means be regarded as substantial or satisfactory."

The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, in a report covering the region from Pakistan to New Guinea and Manchuria to Java, found 1948 a "year of all-around improvement" but noted that the area's progress was "uneven."

It reported that in no branch of their economy had the countries surveyed regained pre-war levels and noted ominously that in staple production they had retrogressed, while the region's population had increased 10 per cent over pre-war levels.

The harvest, although improved over 1947, was still below the 1937-38 level; rice production was still 44 per cent below pre-war levels, although slightly higher than the 1947 total. The fish catch last year was estimated at about half the pre-war level.

Rubber Industry

Rubber output increased 10 per cent over the previous year but here the United Nations economists noted that the low price and synthetic competition would have an effect on the industry.

Despite nylon and rayon popularity on one hand, an increase in the demand for silk was apparent, while other textiles, principally cotton, remained below pre-war levels. Except for India, Pakistan and Ceylon, tea production continued below the pre-war scale, as did tobacco.

Tin production was hard hit by the drop in post-war demand and establishment of the United States industry and could reach only 73 per cent of the pre-war average.

A sharp decline in China's coal output offset several advances over the previous year, especially in Japan.

Iron, steel and oil production still continued at pre-war levels. The report covers British North Borneo, Brunei, Sarawak, Burma, Ceylon, China, Hong Kong, India, the Indo-Chinese Federation, Indo-China, Malaya and Singapore, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Siam, Japan and Korea. — United Press.

Pirates Hold Ten Hostages After Raid Near Canton

Ten persons including the master and the first officer of the mv. Kwei Wah, owned by the Hop Kuen Steamship Company, were taken as hostages by a band of more than 70 pirates at a point about 30 miles South of Canton on Wednesday night while en route to the Colony from the Kwangtung capital. According to the owners of the ill-fated vessel, cargo worth a few hundred thousand dollars was stolen by the pirates who planted six of their men on board the vessel posing as passengers.

Also stolen by the pirates were all the valuables belonging to the vessel's passengers and crew plus two rifles, two pistols and one light machine-gun. The arms were for the ship's defence against pirates.

Formerly a river oil tanker, the newly converted motor vessel left Canton at about 10 p.m. on Wednesday night.

At about five minutes after 11 p.m. the six pirates aboard went to the vessel's bridge and held up the crew members that were on duty there.

The pirates then took control of the whole ship and forced the master to steer the vessel to a rendezvous where more than 70 pirates boarded the vessel.

The pirates left the vessel at about 1.40 a.m. yesterday in a motor boat, a junk and then native craft.

After the pirates left the vessel, the Kwei Wah returned to Canton where a report was made to the Chinese authorities.

Escapes Capture

According to the "Sing Tao Evening Post," a Canton district officer who was travelling to the Colony in the vessel narrowly escaped being taken hostage by the pirates by jumping overboard from a pirate craft. He was later rescued by the crew of the Kwei Wah.

Chun Kwei, the vessel's commander, also escaped capture. The evening paper said that Chun hid himself below decks and disguised himself as a fireman by applying dirt to his face.

An official of the Hop Kuen Company said that the motor vessel is not equipped with wireless equipment she is registered with the Chinese authorities.

When asked whether the owners had received threatening letters, the official said that although official shipping firms have received these letters, they had never been bothered by the pirates.

Converted into a passenger and cargo freighter immediately after the war, the mv. Kwei Wah has a net tonnage of 350 tons. She is the only large motor vessel owned by the Hop Kuen Company.

When the incident occurred she was commanded by Mr. Ho Ping-cheung.

After the news of the motor vessel being pirated, reached the Hop Kuen Company, Mr. Dunn Kwei-chue, the company's manager, and three sailors immediately flew to Canton yesterday afternoon.

Bomb Thrown At Nehru Meeting

Bombay, July 14.

Two police constables were hurt when a bomb exploded near a meeting addressed by the Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru here today.

The bomb was thrown at a police picket shortly after the Indian Prime Minister had begun his speech.

The audience held the man, and handed him to the police. The Indian Prime Minister continued his speech to the meeting. Three other bomb explosions occurred in the city earlier tonight but in these incidents no casualties were reported. — Reuters.

Nationalist Arms Held In Hong Kong

Some 1,600 machine-guns, belonging to the Chinese Government, have been detained in the Colony by the Hong Kong Government, according to vernacular reports from Canton yesterday.

The report said that the weapons were part of an order of 2,330 machine-guns placed for the Chinese Government by Dr. T. V. Soong when he was Governor of Kwangtung.

More than 600 machine-guns were delivered at Canton, but the remainder were detained by the Hong Kong Government. The arms were purchased from Canada, added the report.

The reason for the detention of the weapons was not given.

KURODA GIVEN LIFE TERM

Manila, July 14.

"Playboy General" Shigenori Kuroda, Japanese head man in the Philippines from May, 1943 to September, 1944, was sentenced by the Filipino war crimes tribunal to life imprisonment at hard labour.

He was convicted on the charge of command responsibility for "brutal atrocities and other high crimes against non-combatant civilians and prisoners." — Associated Press.

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Troops Building Camps In New Territories

Gold Bars Confiscated By Court

Sixty-six gold bars weighing 32,441 tins and worth \$110,227 were confiscated by Mr. Tin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

Tung Fat the cook found carrying the gold bars was brought to court.

The prosecution said that on July 12 at 7 a.m. Police Detectives Lee Yan-choi and Hon Sun proceeded to Morrison Street near Wing Lok Street on the receipt of information. They saw defendant carrying a big basket. At the same time, another cook, who was with defendant, was carrying another basket. The other cook ran away.

Defendant, who did not try to run away, was stopped and searched. Sixty-six bars of gold of five tins each were found hidden inside preserved turnips carried by defendant. The turnips were confiscated to the Tung Yik Sauce Shop, 331 Queen's Road West, by the Macao Vegetable Guild, and had arrived on the motor junk Sheung Hei an hour earlier.

Received Basket

Enquiries were made at the Tung Yik Sauce Shop by the authorities. Chan Yee-shing-fok, said that the shop did not receive one basket of preserved turnips from Macao that morning. This basket appeared to be identical to the basket seized by the police, but on examination, the turnips contained in it were not cut open to certain goods as the ones found in the other basket.

The Tung Yik Sauce Shop had been carrying on business regularly with the Macao Vegetable Guild.

The prosecution said that defendant had admitted that he had picked up the basket on the waterfront, but denied any knowledge of the gold contained in it. Apparently, defendant had been engaged to carry the load by a head cook, in view of the circumstances, the prosecution did not wish to press for heavy penalties against defendant.

Defendant was continued by Mr. Hin-shing Lo.

CONFISCATION OF GOLD

An application for confiscation of \$110,227 of gold which includes 22 bars, six ingots, and three slabs, made by Revenue Officer H. Fowler, was granted by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

The gold was found packed in a tin. It was concealed in the jacket of a refrigerator door loaded from the ss. President Cleveland.

The ship arrived here several days ago and docked at the Kowloon Wharf.

Regulations Governing School Fees, Donations

Five relevant regulations governing school fees and donations solicited in schools were quoted by the Education authorities yesterday. The authorities were replying to complaints by parents.

A statement by the authorities concerned said that regarding school contributions, it is not possible for direct action to be taken by the Education Department unless specific facts, including names of the schools and teachers concerned, are supplied.

It added that the recent prosecution for charging unauthorised fees was a result of such information being provided.

In such cases, the name of the complainant will not be made public without prior agreement. The Director of Education has

All along the 60-mile road enclosing the New Territories troops are busy setting up Army accommodation to house the ever swelling number of the Colony's garrison.

Close to 30 camps of different sizes are in the process of being set up as the military work against time to absorb the reinforcements arriving in troop ships from the UK.

A Press tour of these barracks was conducted by military authorities, with the all-round survey lasting more than four hours.

The camps are mostly tent compounds where soldiers work and sleep. Only a few concrete and concrete huts are being erected and these will serve only to shelter supplies and as cook houses.

The Press group stopped yesterday at four of these camps.

The first of these was at a hill side on the New Territory Road overlooking San Wai Village.

Here, the camp consists of six block huts, capable of housing some 150 troops. The camp was built on a foundation which was formerly a grave yard.

Each of the blocks accommodates about 30 soldiers who sleep in double bunks. There is a dining hut and a cook house.

Under Canvas

Further on there is the Lowu Camp near the border. Here, under contract to the San Wai establishment (occupied by the Royal Tank Corps), is a camp of tents inhabited for the moment by 150 men of the Leicesters.

The soldiers in Lowu eat and sleep under canvas. There are a number of concrete houses with stores and vital equipment are kept.

These buildings will also serve in the event of a typhoon when men will pull down the tents and use the period of the blow within these concrete huts where a 24-hour supply of food is at hand.

Officers and men in Lowu share the same housing accommodation. Major H. M. Romilly, OC of Lowu Camp and Lieutenant C. G. L. Sierbrooke and two other officers, each occupy separate small canvas tents marked "Officers' Mess."

The men utilise every available space for their activities. The Press group was told that the soldiers have their gunnery training in their sleeping quarters when it rains. Lectures are held in the NAAFI canteen, as well as in the quarters with beds pushed aside, when the weather is inclement.

Kam Tin Camp

The biggest army barracks at the lot is at Kam Tin. This camp will accommodate some 1,000 troops, all again, under canvas.

The camp was still in its early stages of erection yesterday, although Major Stevenson, DCRE, who accompanied the Press, said that the camp will be receiving troops on Sunday.

The area at Kam Tin is large, with the biggest tin huts seen during the survey. The dining hall is large enough to take 150 persons at each sitting.

The camp was the former site of the Government Agriculture Farm, and is also being used as

stated that no child will be allowed to suffer as a result of any such action.

Parents should be aware that they are under no obligation to pay any school fees whatsoever, other than the inclusive monthly fee, authorised by the Director of Education, said the statement.

The relevant sections of the Education Regulations, 1949, follow:

23(3) No manager or teacher shall charge or accept payment of any school fees, whether or not then the inclusive monthly fee.

23(4) The inclusive monthly fee shall be paid monthly in advance and not otherwise unless permitted by the Director.

23(5) The payment of every sum of money by or on behalf of a pupil to a manager or teacher shall be forthwith acknowledged in writing by such manager or teacher on a proper form of receipt.

23(6) No manager or teacher shall appeal to pupils for charitable subscriptions or make collections in his school for presents or gratuities or any other purpose without the previous permission of the Director.

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Mr. Wai Shue 100

Total 1,400

Seek Witnesses To Accident

The Police yesterday requested witnesses to a fatal accident to communicate with the Traffic Office, Hong Kong (Tel. 09364).

The accident occurred last Saturday about 8 p.m. at Wing Lok Street West, near the Western Market.

A Chinese, 65-year-old Liu Pin, of No. 142, Connaught Road, Central, was knocked down and fatally injured by a heavy type commercial vehicle. The vehicle did not stop.

Charged With Sale Of Child

Three Chinese women were yesterday charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Magistrate's Court with unlawful transfer of possession of a three-month-old child for a valuable consideration.

Ho Lam, aged 30, was fined \$250 or two months in default; Siu Ng-ku, aged 36, was fined \$350 or three months; and Li Mei, aged 50, was given a fine of \$50 or two weeks.

Detective Sub-Inspector J. D. Brown, prosecuting, stated that the case came to light when he reported to the Shumshu Police Station on July 6. She was a concubine of a man named Ching Shui, and they had a three-month-old child. He was living with her husband and the wife at 37 Kelung Street, Kowloon.

About a week ago, Ha had a quarrel with the wife who eventually chased her out of the house. Ha left the house with her three-month-old child.

On June 30, Ha sold her child to second defendant for \$300 in the presence of third defendant who then acted as the go-between. A few days later, Ha received only \$100 from second defendant, thinking that she would get the remaining \$200. He reported the matter to the police.

Ha told the court that after she had been chased out of the house by the wife, she had no money to buy food.

The child was ordered to the Precious Blood Hospital pending discussions at the SCA.

Go-Between In Tenancy

Wong Kwong alias Wong Nam-kwong, aged 42, was yesterday charged before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon with being a go-between in receiving excess money respecting tenancy of premises, and on two counts of aiding and abetting in false pretences.

Mr. A.S.C. Comber, defence counsel, pleaded guilty on the first charge, that there was no case to answer was submitted by defence counsel on the two counts of aiding and abetting.

It was stated that defendant obtained \$400 on go-between of tenancy, from complainant Ng Kam-yick, a pilot of the C.A.T.C. on May 31. It was alleged that he aided and abetted one Ki Ching-ko, and obtained \$500 and \$3,000 from complainant on June 21 by false pretences.

It was stated that defendant for complainant at 4 Minden Terrace, off Mody Road, Kowloon. The rent of the room was \$400 a month, and should be paid six months in advance.

As regard to the two counts of aiding and abetting, Mr. Comber submitted that the defendant failed to disclose defendant's intention to defraud, and that the house, which is the subject matter of the charge, could not be identified. Even if the house had been identified, there was no evidence to prove that Ki was not in the position to sub-let the house.

The magistrate upheld the submission by defence counsel that there was no case to answer.

F.A. Orazio, of Humphreys Estates, said that after the war, the flat in question was let to a woman Tam Lai-hing. Later the firm found that tenancy had been transferred but was still under Tam's name. The firm took action against the woman who eventually was ordered to move out on June 10.

Defendant was remanded for one week in goal custody. He will be released when the excess brokerage of \$300 is paid back to complainant.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding has been announced of Paul Malcolm Soth, clerk of works, of 6, Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon, and Miss Elfrida, Maria de Luz, c/o C. J. Triggs, of Peninsula Hotel.

DBS CONCERT

The third of a series of classical concerts for Servicemen will be given at the Diocesan Boys' School at 8.15 p.m. tomorrow.

The programme will include Overture: The Force of Destiny (Verdi), Bruch's Violin Concerto, "Gottschalk's" (Wagner), "Symphony No. 5" (Brahms), and "Violin Concerto" (Brahms).

TRAMWAYS CASE

The Tramways case continued at Central yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almada and will be resumed at 2.30 p.m. today.

Mr. M. A. d'Almada, counsel for the defence, closed his submission, which lasted nearly 20 hours, that his clients had no case to answer.

Appeal In Mortgages Case Dismissed

The appeal against a judgment of the late Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, which was given on December 19, 1940—nine years ago—was dismissed at the Full Court of Appeal yesterday.

The Court, comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, the senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams, and the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Scholes, yesterday upheld the decision of Sir Atholl, who delivered judgment for plaintiffs.

The late Chief Justice held that two purported mortgages, amounting to \$400,000 in respect of 300 Des Voeux Road Central, held by defendant, the present appellant, were null and void.

Appellant was found to have no right or title to the property. A rectification of the Land Office Register was therefore ordered.

The appellant, Fung Kai-sun, of 141 Caine Road, was represented by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, and Mr. D. L. Wright, instructed by the Hon. M. M. Watson, of Johnson Stokes and Master.

Mr. Eldon Potter, KC, and the Hon. Leo d'Almada, KC, instructed by Mr. D. L. Strollett, of Brutton and Company, were for Chan Fui-hing and Chan Sik-tin, of 3 Bonham Road and Chan Kwok-nim, of 300 Des Voeux Road Central. The three respondents were tenants in common of 300 Des Voeux Road Central.

First and third respondents have died subsequent to the hearing of the original case.

Delivering judgment, Sir Leslie stated in part:

"It is common ground that the plaintiffs in the action, Chan Fui-hing, Chan Sik-tin and Chan Kwok-nim, were all material times tenants in common of certain property known as 300 Des Voeux Road Central and 02 Wing Lok Street, Hong Kong."

"Two documents purporting to be mortgages of the property by the plaintiffs to the defendant Fung Kai-sun were registered in the Land Office in November, 1937, and November, 1938, respectively. The plaintiffs' signatures on these documents were forged and the villain of the piece was Chan Chung-wah, a younger brother of the third plaintiff."

"The plaintiffs claimed declarations that the mortgages were forgeries and various other relief and the judgment of Sir Atholl MacGregor was in their favour."

"One of the defences pleaded by the defendant was that the plaintiffs were estopped from denying the genuineness of their signatures, and the only part of Sir Atholl MacGregor's judgment which has been challenged in argument before this Court is the part dealing with this question."

"After going through the relevant paragraph of the statement of defence, Sir Leslie said that, in brief, Sir Atholl had held that the plaintiffs' silence did not amount to a representation because they were under no duty to disclose the forgeries when they learned of them, and that consequently there was no estoppel."

The Chief Justice then went through some of the facts of the case, after which he recalled that Mr. Sheldon, counsel for appellant, had conceded that there could be no representation by silence unless there was a duty to need authority."

Duty To Speak

"Given that there was a duty to speak," Sir Leslie went on, "Mr. Sheldon argued that there had been a deliberate breach of it by respondents, designed to shield Chan Chung-wah and his property from appellant, and that Chan Chung-wah had concealed and some of his property had ceased to be available to satisfy any judgment appellant might have obtained."

"In his final address, Mr. Wright—supported by Mr. Sheldon—suggested that the letter of November, 20, 1939, to which I

have referred, amounted to a positive and fraudulent representation that the respondents did not know Chan Chung-wah was the culprit."

"Mr. d'Almada objected that this went outside the pleadings which narrowed down appellant's case to one of representation by silence. We upheld this objection, taking the view that if the letter had any value, its value was to support the case of representation by silence."

"Mr. Potter's first contention—more fully developed by Mr. d'Almada—was that we were precluded from accepting Mr. Sheldon's submissions by reason of the decision of the Full Court in Appeal No. 10 of 1947 and I deal now with this."

Sir Leslie, commenting on the old appeal, stated that the Full Court—composed of Mr. Justice Williams and Mr. Justice Gould—held that the facts contained therein did not give rise to an estoppel, the only ground of appeal argued, and they dismissed the appeal."

After dealing briefly with the findings of the latter appeal and the arguments arising therefrom, Sir Leslie stated that both judges had used words to the effect that there could be no estoppel unless the representation by silence was intended to induce a course of conduct which led to detriment."

The Chief Justice then went on to deal at length with the various arguments and authorities quoted by counsel.

"What then," he continued, "is the conclusion as to whether there was a duty to speak on the facts of this case? I am of the opinion that there was no such duty. The doctrine of estoppel has grown from very restricted beginnings. It is a doctrine which is attended with some danger because a person successfully pleading estoppel may in reality have suffered very little damage or even no damage at all, yet the person estopped may, by reason of the doctrine, suffer great loss."

"I think that any attempt to extend the doctrine to be treated with great caution, and the alleged representation is a representation by silence."

"There is another broad reason why I think this appeal must fail. I cannot accept Mr. Sheldon's contention that a duty to speak is a duty only to disclose the fact of the fraud, but also—if they are known—the identities of the persons responsible."

"There is no clear authority for Mr. Sheldon's proposition and there seems to me to be all the difference in the world between failure to disclose the fact of the fraud, and so put the person defrauded on his guard, and failure to give information as to the persons who might be sued by him."

"It would be a very unusual rule of law, whatever the morality of the matter may be, which required a person who had no interest in the result of his accusation, to accuse another person for the benefit of a party who had such an interest, and certainly this would be so where there was no special relationship involving frankness."

"For these reasons I think too appeal must be dismissed," Sir Leslie concluded.

The question of costs was reserved by the Court, with liberty to apply.

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Judgment was delivered against Liang Wing-kai, clerk, of 3 Wongneichong Road, at the Supreme Court yesterday when the Court found that Liang had purported to act as a director of a non-existent company, in which capacity he managed to extract HK\$18,000 from plaintiff.

Mr. Justice Williams, senior Puisne Judge, made an order rescinding a contract made between plaintiff and defendant dated February 15, 1949, for the sale of 12 Ford trucks which Liang was supposed to deliver, but did not.

Plaintiff in the action was Chuen Kun-shing, of Room 601 Pedder Building, who was represented by Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. A. S. K. Lau. Liang was not legally represented, and personally conducted his case.

Plaintiff claimed that on February 15, 1949, defendant approached him and said he wished to sell him 12 Ford trucks. For the purpose of inducing plaintiff to purchase these trucks and to pay a deposit, defendant showed him a document which purported to be a contract for the sale of 12 Ford trucks, and which was purported to be signed by Liang.

Induced by the said representations and warranties, plaintiff claimed, he agreed to purchase the Ford trucks, and paid a deposit of \$18,000 to defendant.

Failed To Deliver

There was no such company in fact called the Cheung Fat-hong, Chuen further claimed, defendant thus failed to deliver the 12 trucks within the contract.

Plaintiff then asked for the return of \$18,000 as well as for the rescission of the contract in question.

The statement of defence stated that the defendant did not make the alleged representations with the intent to induce the plaintiff to make the purchase.

Defendant also claimed that plaintiff did not suffer the alleged damage. Even if he did, defendant was not responsible for it.

Mr. Bernacchi, counsel for plaintiff, told the court that the contract, dated February 15, 1949, and the receipt of the \$18,000 and a certain letter of April 23, 1949, in these connections, were all admitted by defendant.

Counsel further stated that the foundation of the case rested on the contract, which was negotiated through a broker. The contract was signed by plaintiff and defendant in the presence of a witness. Defendant put himself down as a director of the Cheung Fat-hong Company.

Plaintiff then deposited the sum of \$18,000 for which he received a receipt signed by defendant.

In the course of time, no delivery of trucks came about, as a result of which inquiries were made. It was eventually discovered that no such company called Cheung Fat-hong existed.

Employed As Manager

Liang, testifying in his own defence, told the court that he and two others—none of whom was a witness to the contract—were partners in this Cheung Fat-hong Limited.

He was only employed as manager of the business, he alleged, and was authorised to look after the business. He did not notice the word "director" when he signed the contract with plaintiff.

Giving his decision, Mr. Williams declared that he was satisfied Liang fraudulently represented that he was director of a non-existent company, and that plaintiff would not have paid the sum in question unless he believed he was dealing with a company.

The Court awarded judgment in the sum of \$18,000 with costs in favour of the plaintiff, and a rescission order in respect of the contract.

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SK 10 4
HA K 5 4
D 10 8
C J 10 3
S J 8 2
H J 10 3
D 7 5 3
C A K 8 4
S Q 6 5 3
H 9 7 6
D A Q J 4
C Q 5

(Dealer: North-South vulnerable).

North East South West
1 C Pass 1 D Pass
1 H Pass 1 NT

Here is a deal that was passed out in more cases than it was bid in a social duplicate game, as nobody has an emphatically good opening bid. Where North and South opened it, either as indicated or otherwise, the pair got a plus. In the case shown, where North decided to try a "short club," the 1-No Trump contract was made. At another table South played the deal in 2-Diamonds and made it. At a third,

East got into 2-Clubs and was

beaten. Let's study the case of North's opening bid. He would have the standard two and a half defensive tricks for an opener with fair distributional values, but not quite the three prescribed for a holding with a flat distribution of 4-3-3-3. But look at his cards which are not listed in the tables. He has a 10 under a K, a 10-9-8 and a J-10, all of which he considered good enough to make the difference.

How often you have noticed the J, Q, K and A on the first trick of a suit, making the 10 a second round topper. Even a second trick may be the 7, 8, 9 and 10, to build the 6 into a high card for the third round, of a suit. Most fine players consider the subtle differences in height between certain spot cards and certain others as being sometimes the factors that answer the question of to bid or not to bid.

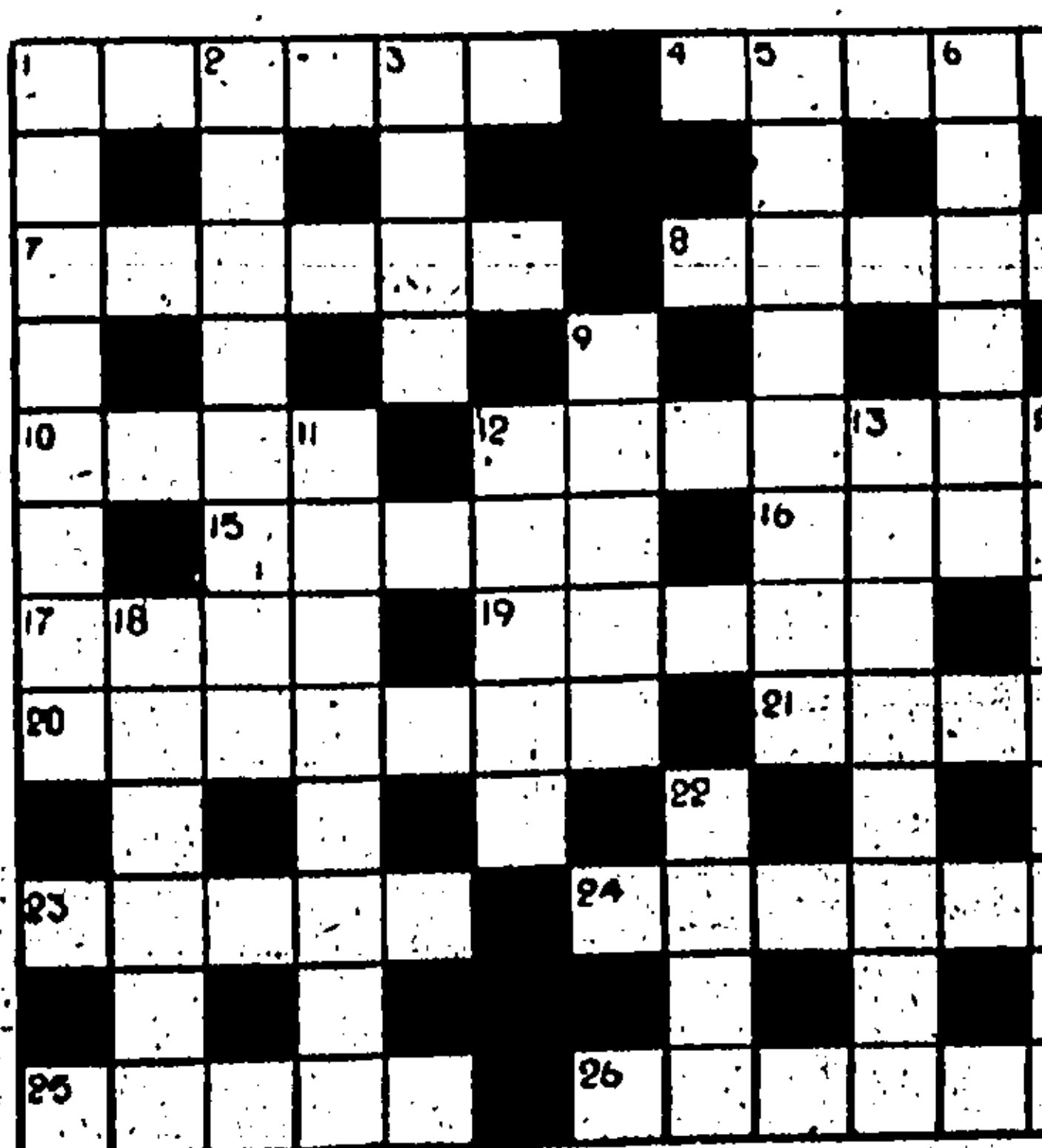
Tomorrow's Problem

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HA J 6
D 9 8 5 3
C 7 3
S A 7 3
H 7
D A J 10 2
C A Q 8 5 2
S 10 8 6 2
H Q 10 5 4 3 2
D K Q
C J

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable).

What is the soundest defence against East's 3-No Trumps on this deal?

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Across

- Grasp.
- Climb.
- Stagnate.
- Utter hap-piness.
- Bellow.
- Wander about.
- Headress.
- Valley.

Down

- Shrink.
- Wobbly.
- Dungeon.
- Almanac.
- Diminish.
- Entertained.
- Stayed behind.
- Confusion.
- Ploague greatly.
- Turned round.
- Take into custody.
- Opera singer.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—3 Disguise, 8 Mar-tin, 9 Foraging, 11 Retained, 12 Smug, 13 Vivid, 18 Tacit, 19

Need, 22 Sustains, 24 Obsolete, 25 Antler, 26 Scabbard. DOWN—1 Smart, 2 Unity, 3 Defiant, 4 Iron, 5 Goad, 6 Idioms, 7 Engage, 10 Relic, 14 Value, 15 Distend, 16 Enjoys, 17 Persia, 20 Rifle, 21 Usurp, 22 Slab, 23 Star.

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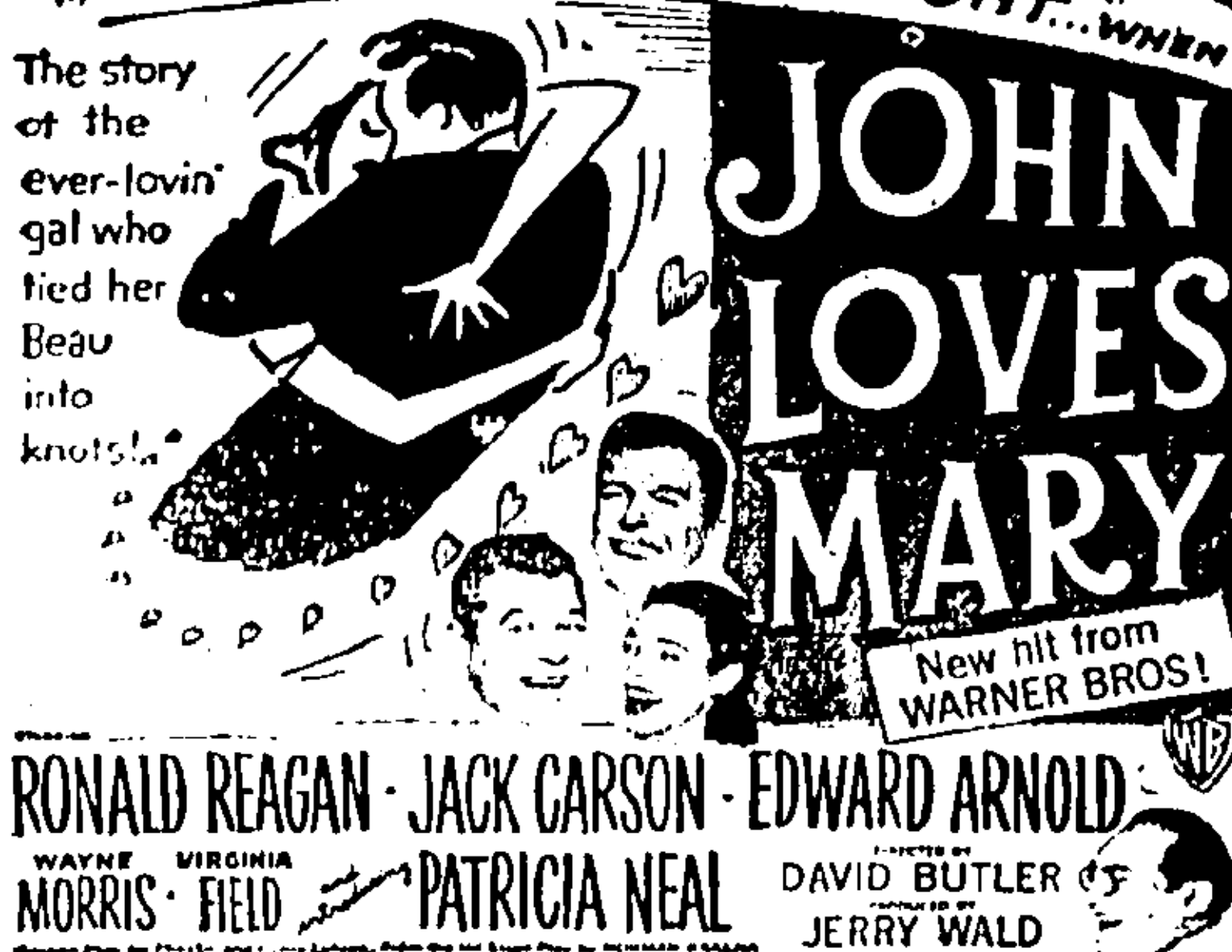
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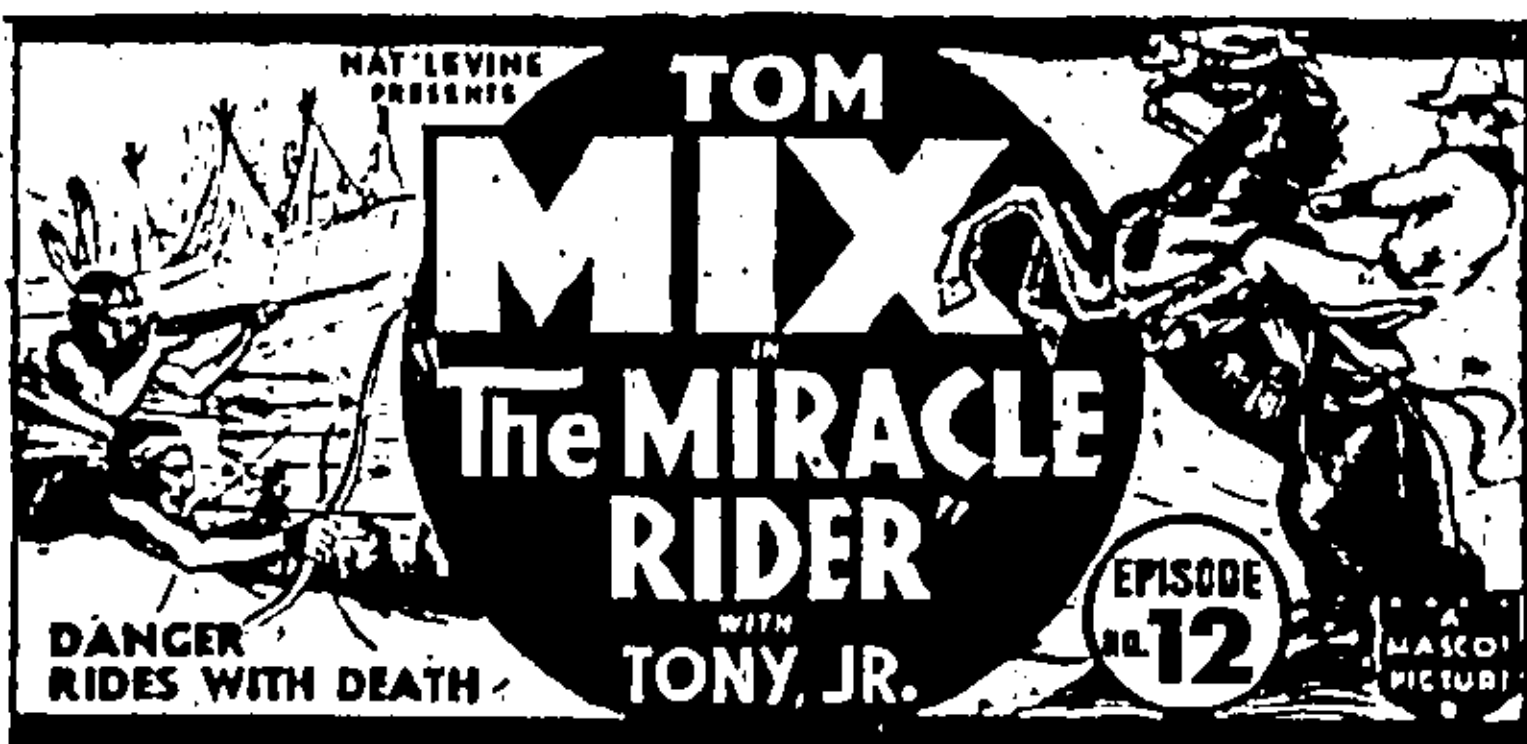
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CINEMA WORLD

Steinbeck Drama Filmed: "Pearl" At Roxy Today

Classification Of Film

The "China Mail" beginning this week, will use the following classification to indicate to readers the quality of films reviewed:

— Fair
— Good
— Very Good
— Excellent

... Very Good
A moving drama with the message that unenvied poverty sometimes is preferable to wealth is told in RKO's well balanced "The Pearl" week-end attraction at the Roxy Theatre.

Lifting the picture out of usual Hollywood-type pictorialisation of novels is the down-to-earth acting on the part of the entire cast, beautiful scenic background and incidental music that packs a telling wallop.

With the exception of five interior shots, the film was photographed against the rugged beauty of Mexico's rugged countryside by Gabriel Figueroa, a completed print of "The Pearl" was submitted in the Venice International Film Festival, where it was mentioned as the most original film as well as awarded honours for best photography.

Although Figueroa made a musical debut in Mexico city, he decided to enter film photography as a career. He is Hollywood trained. The cast, a splendid array of top-flight Mexican players, made an English dialogue version for American audiences, and was directed by Emilio Fernandez.

Civilised greed and materialism all but destroy a simple Mexican Indian and his little family when a priceless pearl gives him a fleeting hope of comfort and security.

Starring Pedro Armendariz and Maria Elena Marques, respectively, as the simple pearl-diver Kino and his wife, Juana, the film presents their plight entailed by their possession of a bonanza. A scorpion, attacking his small son, had plunged Kino into a



PEDRO ARMENDARIZ AND FAMILY
Civilization proved unkind

Black Bart At King's Tarzan The Ape Man

... Good
Bringing two of history's most colourful romantic characters to the screen for the first time, Universal-International presents "Black Bart" at the King's Theatre this week-end. The Technicolor film stars Yvonne De Carlo, Dan Duryea and Jeffrey Lynn, with Percy Kilbride heading the supporting cast.

Miss De Carlo portrays Lola Montez, internationally famous dancing beauty of the nineteenth century. The story deals with an episode in the tour of the dancing star during her sojourn in California under the management of P. T. Barnum.

The presidential meeting of the lovely Lola with California's dashing Gentleman Bandit, Black Bart, played out very convincingly by Duryea, brings about the romantic action of the screen story. Black Bart, alias Charlie Hoots, was the scourge of the Wells Fargo Company's stage-coach express service. With his sidekick Lance Handerson, played by Lynn, he all but drives the express company out of Northern California.

The characters played by Lynn and Kilbride are fictional. The mild-mannered, philosophical Kilbride as a Western badman is a casting that makes for high comedy. Miss De Carlo's gay Spanish dances, the Western vistas and the holdups, rides and gun-fights highlight the drama. The excitement pounds to a climax in the ambush of the high-waymen in a burning building.

YUNG HWA FILMS POPULAR ABROAD

"A Peasant's Tragedy" which was recently shown at the King's Theatre, had a long run in Singapore and will be shown again by popular demand.

In Manila, the Yung Hwa Studios are using the Asia Theatres chain to show their releases and first reports show that they are getting good support. Arrangements have also been made to show Yung Hwa films in Indo China.



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King's:
"Black Bart." — Plenty of action of the Western fashion with Dan Duryea as a dashing "bad man," and Yvonne De Carlo as an internationally famous dancing beauty of the 19th century. Film is in Technicolor. — Good.
Roxy:
"The Pearl." — Steinbeck's drama, is the week's best film. — Very Good.
Lee:
"John Loves Mary." — An entertaining, romantic farce that had long billing on Broadway as a play. Film version has Ronald Reagan in the lead and introduces the new Hollywood find Patricia Neal. — Good.

Hollywood's Task To The World

One of Hollywood's self-appointed tasks is to simplify the American nation and explain its composition to the outside world.

As a result of this weekly instruction we have been able to make a number of deductions, which we now summarise:

1. CHILDREN: The majority (of both sexes) are educated at musical comedies, where they learn to kiss, to arrange concerts, and to reconcile their parents when the latter quarrel.
2. WOMEN: Apart from a minority who are either heiresses, magazine editors, or psychiatrists, American womanhood falls into two classes: (a) the nice ones, who do not dress smartly (good wife and mother), and (b) the flashy ones, who are much too smart (dolls, dunes, or dills).
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Uneducated men become criminals, journalists, cowboys, or policemen.

If the criminals are particularly successful they become respectable, own night clubs, and are known as smart operators. A love affair between a smart operator and a doll, dame, or dill is often dynamic while it lasts, but usually ends in someone getting killed.

Reagan plays John, the hapless hero who is confronted with a romantic obstacle in the person of an English war-bride. Carson plays his none-too-bright buddy, offering the star a chance for some of his broad comedy characterisation. Morris plays a somewhat comic heavy here, his first try at mild villainy on the screen. Arnold, of the infectious laugh trademark, is a Washington politician in the comedy.

Patricia Neal, Warner's newest importation from the Broadway stage, makes her film debut in "John Loves Mary." She comes to the screen with an imposing array of Broadway awards for her performance in the Lillian Hellman drama, "Another Part of the Forest."

Others in the film are: Virginia Field, Katherine Alexander and Ernest Cassart. The screenplay is by Phoebe and Henry Ephron, from the stage original of Norman Krasna.

Ladd At It Again

Good
Don't for one minute misconstrue the title of the picture coming to the King's Theatre. "The Blue Dahlia" is not, by any stretch of the imagination, anything so dignified as a flower show, or the unweaving of a horticulturist's latest hybrid.

Actually, this Paramount production of Raymond Chandler's first mystery-shocker to be written expressly for the screen, is an action-packed suspenseful murder thriller that provides an excellent vehicle for its three stars, Alan Ladd, Veronica Lake and William Bendix.

Ladd is at his slugger-lover best in the role of the returning war veteran who finds his wife addicted to alcohol, and running around with the sinister owner of the "Blue Dahlia" night club. Disgusted and disillusioned, he walks out on her, and into the life of Veronica Lake, who later turns out to be the estranged wife of the nightclub owner. Ladd's wife is found shot to death, and the plot races brainily through his efforts to clear his name and that of his war-buddy, William Bendix.

Miss Lake is more attractive than ever, if you care for her at all. William Bendix's wounded veteran is good and Howard da Silva, who scored so well in "The Lost Weekend," hands in a fine performance as the suave proprietor of the night club whence the picture gets its title.

Two other "Lost Weekend" alumni appear in the persons of the "match girl," Doris Dowling, as Ladd's worthless wife, and the nurse, Frank Faylen in the role of a "con" man.

Raymond Chandler is one of the best writers in Hollywood and is fast becoming the screen's best-known and most successful scenarist.

The combination of Chandler and George Marshall, the director of "The Blue Dahlia," is a happy portent of "things to come."

Both are ardent advocates of plenty of "motion" in motion pictures. Produced by John Houseman, "The Blue Dahlia" is not-to-be-missed entertainment.

ALAN LADD
No flower show

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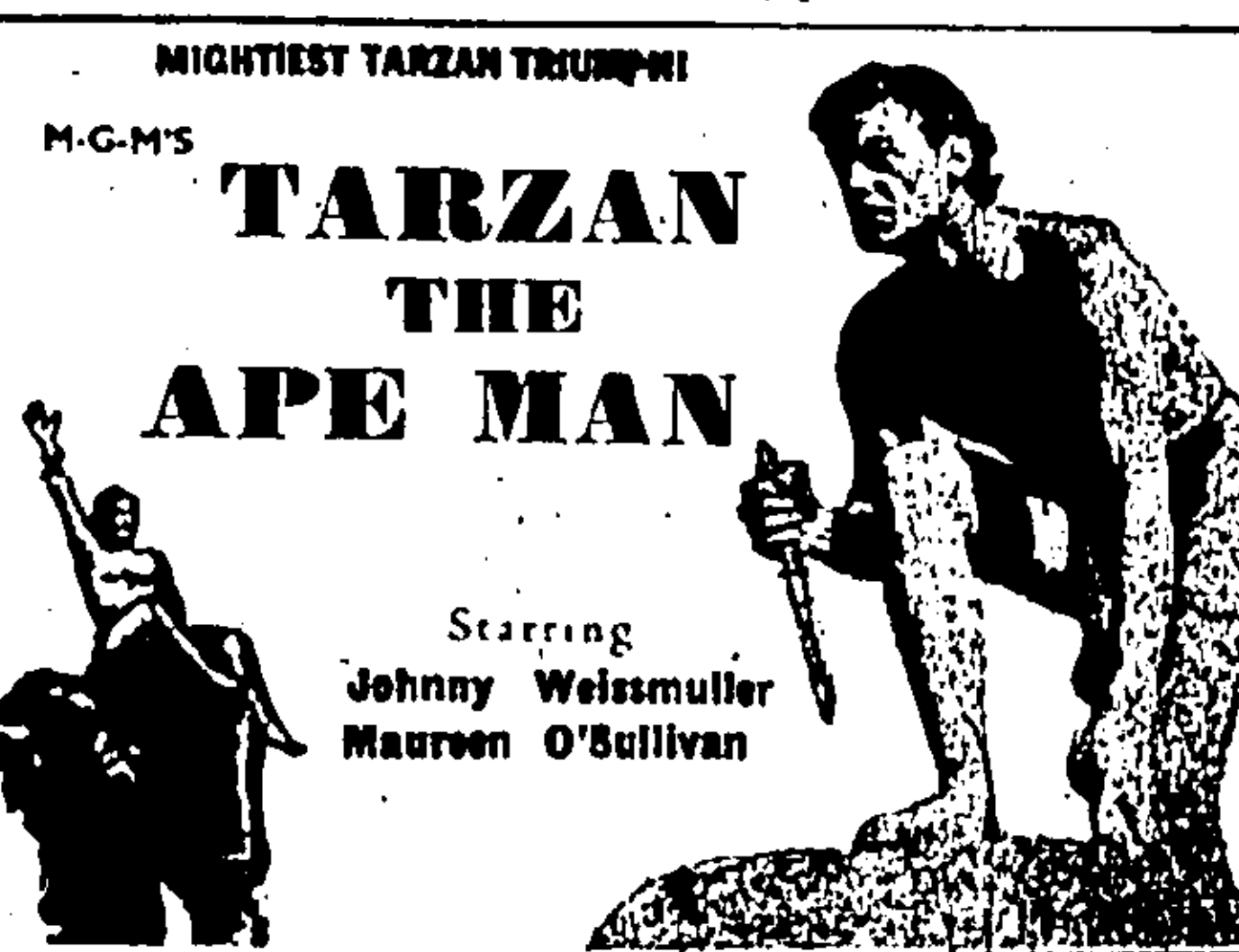
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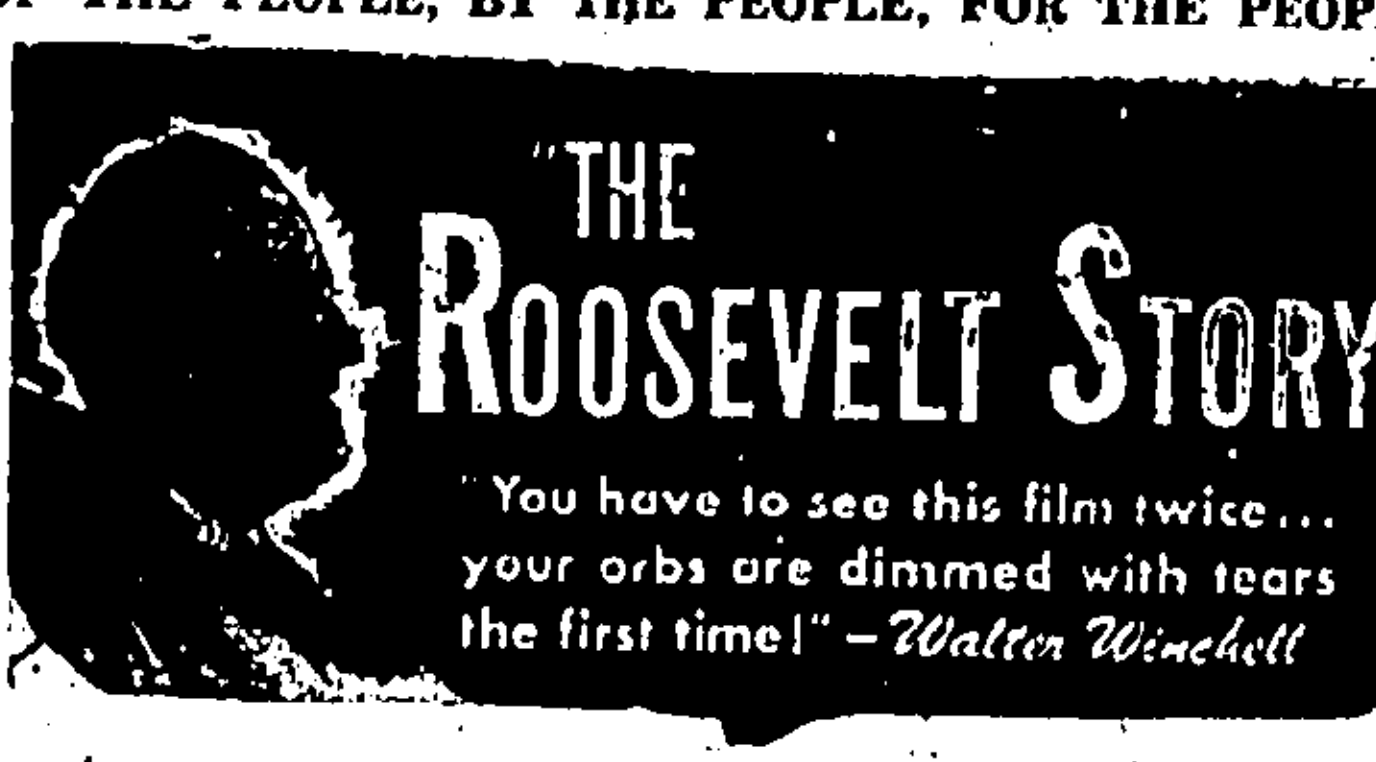
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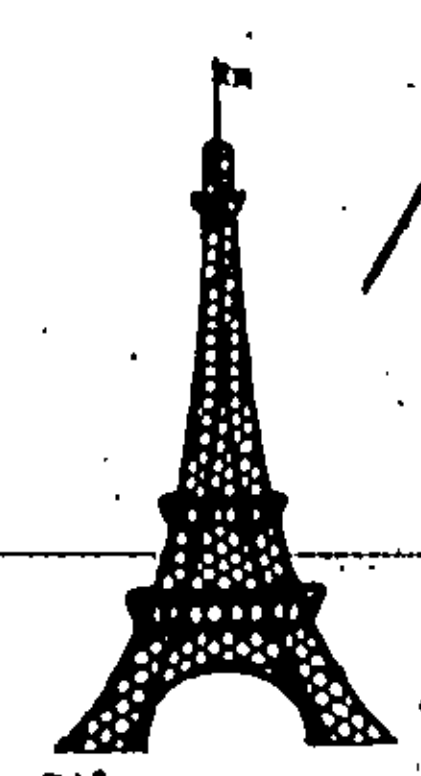
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BIRTH

SNOW—To Patricia, wife of Henry Martin Snow, on the 14th July, at the French Hospital, a son, Christopher Hazlett.

CHINESE PETITION

The movement for government reform in Hong Kong is carried a step further by the petition from 142 Chinese commercial and labour organisations, to be handed to the Governor tomorrow.

This "unified front" comes out in direct opposition to the Lo plan to drop the Municipal Council idea, and puts forward its own ideas for re-modelling the Legislative Council.

The latter proposals seem certain to be regarded as revolutionary by the Colonial Office, as they would, if adopted as framed, imply eventual control of the Hong Kong government by non-British citizens. This particular difficulty has always been recognised by thinking people. Certainly, aliens may be in the vast majority—and must, in our opinion, be given adequate representation—but it is understandable that Britain is unwilling to take any step which would prejudice her rule in the Colony.

Unofficial electees, the Chinese petition says, should be in a majority of at least two over the officials, and there should be no nominees, to prevent the people's representatives from being swamped. In an ordinary country this would be a fair plea, but in our case London is likely to reply that this would entail British policy being swamped. The indigenous reaction to that is that under the Lo plan, for instance, there is a balance of power which, with the Governor's power of veto, emphatically favours the officials and nominees. This, they claim, means that elected members would have no real say whatsoever, and the status quo would be maintained. This, there can be little doubt, is what the intention is.

An important aspect of the scheme being presented tomorrow is that six of the 11 officials would be Chinese, who "need not necessarily be British subjects." This is hardly likely to be acceptable to London, but a case can be made out for it. Many people are blinded by the term "British subjects," unconsciously taking it as guaranteeing the complete loyalty of those persons. This is an obvious fallacy. Conversely, a Chinese from across the border who has not become nationalised, but who has lived here many years, may be keenly in favour of continuance of British rule, and have a strong feeling of community with Hong Kong.

However, as it seems most improbable that alien members of the Legislative Council would be considered by the Colonial Office at this time, we think this might wisely have been put aside for the time being, and the question of the electorate being composed of all-ratepayers, whatever their nationality, should have been played up.

Both there and in the Municipal Council, which they demanded must be formed—as promised—the

WINDOW ON THE WORLD

STRIKES AND "GO-SLOW" MOVEMENTS ARE FASHION

Strikes and "go slow" movements are apparently in fashion the world over.

This week the "Window" opens on Tokyo where 140 employees in a coal merchant's office have staged a sit-down strike in the company director's room in support of a demand for higher wages.

Now they all got into the one room is not revealed, but to make matters worse the strike fever, spread to their wives waiting at home. Left without house-keeping money, the wives appealed to the local Food Office for emergency deliveries. When these were refused they followed in their husbands' footsteps, marched on the office—and staged a sit-down strike in the Emergency Card department.

At this stage, writes Richard Hughes, the Chief Rationing Officer decided that it would take a strike to end a strike.

Sit-Down in the Home

Calling his staff together he told them to march on the suburbs and organise a sit-down strike in the homes of the absent workers and their wives.

The counter measure succeeded. Within an hour the wives were

all at home again—threatening to stop all housework and let the children starve unless their husbands ended their strikes immediately.

In the Free Territory of Trieste David Lee has recently come across some "Iron Curtain" escape

By JOHN ASHWIN

stories that rival even the dramatic stories of the war days.

Escape No. 1 concerns a Yugoslav engineer who managed to reach a Yugoslav town on the frontier not far from Trieste. After studying the town's drainage system he then slipped through a maze of sewers until he was washed into a river flowing into Italy.

Escape No. 2 is the story of a Yugoslav diplomat whose furniture was being unloaded from a railway wagon in Italy recently. As the last of the furniture was taken from the van his relations found the diplomat himself at the bottom only just alive after nearly two weeks without food or water.

Grim Reminder

Not all escapes are so successful, however. As a grim reminder of this and of conditions behind the Iron Curtain, Lee describes how the whole population of a small Yugoslav village recently tried a mass escape. As the exodus started frontier police ambushed them. Only 10 managed to cross the frontier. What happened to the rest is unknown but the name of Lidice rings strangely familiar.

It is 15 years since the often seen but never proved Loch Ness

monster raised its humped back from the dark waters of Loch Ness in Scotland. In that time the Monster—or a near relation—appears to have travelled far.

Its latest stop on an almost round-the-world tour is the Pacific coast of Mexico. Here, tourists have seen what they describe as

"a primitive-looking and terrible monster" hundreds of feet long.

As usual, however, the experts have come forward with a far more rational explanation. The monster, they tell Cecil Clark, is most probably nothing more exciting than a sub-branch of the order of aquatic molluscs.

To those who are prepared to find even this exciting, the experts add the reminder that, being translated, this means the monster is just an extra large sting ray.

Insure Your Holiday

Holiday weather is often unpredictable, but disappointment in a fortnight of grey skies may soon be countered if an insurance scheme popular in Casablanca spreads further afield.

For a modest premium, an enterprising Casablanca business man offers to insure all customers against rain and storm during their annual search for the sun. Nor does the scheme end there. Realising that a score more things besides bad weather may upset a holiday, the agent will insure holidaymakers against railway strikes, hotel accommodation cancellations, ill health, financial crises which cause poor rates of exchange, delays in travelling, air

accidents, loss of luggage and overcharging.

There is only one stipulation. McCormick, has discovered that the would-be holidaymaker must take the agents advice as regards everything he insures against.

Which, in the nature of the scheme, means that the enterprising agent must be something of a weather-forecaster as well.

Modernising The Farm

What is the best way to modernise a farm-house? The answer, one might think, would be to introduce running water and a bathroom.

Not so in America however. Across the States, where seven out of 10 farms have nothing more up-to-date than a well in the backyard, modernisation comes in a different way.

Rather than face the expense of installing running water and modern plumbing, farm families are buying radios, vacuum cleaners, refrigerators and even the most modern washing machines.

So widespread in fact has the go-modern trend become that a census held to discover its effect on the city markets, has revealed that American farmers buy as many radios and ultra-modern labour-saving gadgets as their colleagues in the cities.

As a result, the radio blaring from a farmhouse, the grand piano seen through the window, and the luxury car parked in the farmyard are no indication as to whether one "should stay the night."

As likely as not, writes Clifford Hulme, bath-night is still only once a week—in a galvanised wash-tub in front of the kitchen fire.

Canada Wants To Buy Hundred Times More

While Britain is cut off from Canada's vast supplies of food because she lacks dollars, great new development schemes in Canada could provide British engineering firms with the opportunity to earn each year up to £200,000,000—ten times as much as Britain spends on Canadian food at present.

Yet last year Britain managed to earn less than one hundredth of the £200,000,000 Canada has to spend.

Many adventurous British pioneers garnered fabulous riches in the fur trade when that was the only business in Canada. Today Britain's Merchant Adventurers could reap even richer rewards in the development of the many 20th century enterprises in Canada. And today no sudden death from a Red Indian tomahawk would threaten them from behind every tree.

The opening up of the unequalled treasure trove of minerals in the unexplored Northland is making this the richest country in the Commonwealth. There are jobs for all at the highest wages ever paid anywhere in any British country.

Our Opportunity

But Canada herself cannot supply the riches from the earth. This is the field which Mr Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, described on his recent tour as Britain's greatest opportunity today in the Canadian market.

Canada has had to buy most of her machinery from the U.S. in the past. British engineering firms, which have had the experience of drilling oil wells, mining metals, building roads and railways, and constructing docks among all the black races of the Empire, have overlooked the greater opportunity among their white brothers in this "Unknown Dominion."

In Alberta lie the biggest oil deposits in the Empire—so big that they alone could supply the whole world for over 100 years. But production has had to be cut down because of lack of equipment.

Steel pipelines, 2,000 miles long, with booster pumps, are needed to pipe the oil to market. Refineries are needed. All this Britain, with her know-how gained in other fields, could supply. Other pipelines are needed to pipe the huge natural gas supplies to market.

In Labrador and Northern Quebec lies the iron ore which will soon become the principal supply for all the greedy factories of North America. The ore is near the surface of the earth and can be mined simply with mechanical scoops.

A railway is needed to carry the ore through the hundreds of miles of forest to a port. Docks are needed, and ships to carry the ore to market. Britain could supply all this.

In Quebec a large deposit of titanium has just been found. In the Arctic possibly the world's richest deposit of lead has been discovered. These must be mined,

and transported to smelters which themselves are not yet constructed. The raging waterfalls of Canada's rivers must be harnessed to supply electric power for these developments. Less than one fifth of this water supply is used

By PATRICK NICHOLSON

now, yet Canada and the U.S. are both short of electricity. Britain could supply the turbines and most of the electrical equipment.

Canada is already the world's largest supplier of aluminium. Now she plans to duplicate her huge plant at Alvida in the Indian country by building another in British Columbia.

Canada herself is still a developing community. She has not even got a high road crossing the country from East to West. She needs roads to link up her new

Cabinet Crisis In Belgium

Brussels, July 13.

M. Frans Van Cauwelaert, veteran Catholic politician who is trying to bring Belgium's parties together in a new Government Coalition, said here tonight that he has placed concrete proposals before the party leaders.

It is believed that his proposals include the holding of a popular consultation of the people on the return of King Leopold to the throne.

M. Van Cauwelaert was given the task of negotiating between the parties after the resignation 16 days ago of M. Paul Henri-Spaak's Coalition Cabinet and the failure by M. Paul Van Zeeland, Catholic ex-Premier, last week to form a new Government.

At a conference tonight, M. Van Cauwelaert gave the impression that he believes the crisis may be long drawn out. Observers here feel that no solution is likely before next week.

M. Van Cauwelaert said that he is visualising a three-party Government of Liberals, Socialists and Catholics as the best that Belgium can have in the present circumstances.—Reuter.

BRITISH ARMS BUYING IN U.S.

London, July 13.

Britain is buying very few armaments or other defence stores from the United States, the Defence Minister, Mr. A.V. Alexander, said in a Parliamentary reply today.

Because of the dollar shortage, these imports are being kept down to the lowest possible level and are declining, he said. Purchases consist entirely of essential spares for American-type aircraft and other equipment already in service, he added.—Reuter.



Very few people go to a doctor when they get a cold. They go to the movies instead.

The Indian Government is buying the Mahatma's voice recorded for posterity. Soon they will be able to meet Red propaganda with the proper Gandhi.

Co-Prosperity No. Myrtle, the Olympics is not a mountain in Japan where Hirohito and the Miracle Man sit together discussing the future of Asia.

I went to a seance. To relieve the tedium. It wasn't too good. Just medium.

Spirit of America Sir Stanford Likes John. Snyder likes Cripps. Stenlithy London its lips! Starts licking its lips! Soon we'll be seeing from kind Uncle Sam.

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He bought her a sapphire ring and she let him hug her. But when he wanted to buy her a diamond bracelet she sent him on his way. Sapphire and no farther.

The prospective tenant looked round the room. "The window is a bit small. Not much use in an emergency," he objected. "There won't be an emergency," snapped the landlord. "My terms are monthly and in advance!"

"Draughts in church. Church congregation want something done." Somebody's chess weak?

A friend arriving at the home of Mrs. Stewart of the Dracs after many years away introduced herself by saying, "Dye mind ma friend." The good lady responded, "Well div I, Evie, come away." Evie confided to me later that she expected a retort like "Yes, I objects to it very much, in Mrs. Stewart's best English."

Nipped Again Soon? Another Shylock, in another age. Also loved gold but was a bit more sane.

And could give Uncle S. some good advice About a serpent that may sting one twice!

Said Myrtle, straightening the seams of her nylons, a glance to leg isn't just a term used in cricket.

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OVERWHELMING VOTE IN ENDORSEMENT OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

HONG KONG OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

London, July 13. A Member of Parliament asked in the House of Commons today about a new oath of allegiance sworn by recruits to the Hong Kong Police, which, he said, omitted the words "To well and faithfully serve His Majesty".

The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. David Rees-Williams, told the Member, Major E.A.H. Legge-Bourke, that the Governor of Hong Kong had since agreed to restore the previous formula.

Major Legge-Bourke asked if the original change had been seen and approved by the Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Rees-Williams said that the change had been made incidentally in a general consolidating ordinance. It had not been submitted to the Colonial Secretary by draft and his approval was not necessary.

After enactment the Ordinance was sent in the ordinary way for the King's approval. The Governor of Hong Kong had been told that the King would not be advised to disallow the measure.

Major Legge-Bourke said he thought a change in the oath was of sufficient constitutional importance to have had a separate ordinance and not to have been included in the general list.

Mr. Rees-Williams agreed that the change should not have been in a consolidating ordinance.—*Reuter.*

BATTLESHIPS ON RESERVE

London, July 13. The Admiralty announced tonight that the battleships Anson and Howe are to be placed in reserve in a move to reduce the number of capital ships in full sea-going commission.

The Admiralty said that the reduction in the number of battleships will make it possible to maintain more minesweepers, frigates and destroyers fully operational.

"Few large surface ships are being kept operational anywhere in the world," it was stated, "but the announcement added: 'It will be clearly understood that in reserve or otherwise, will be available for operational duty at the occasion demands.'—*Reuter.*

British Oilmen To Evacuate

Rangoon, July 13. The British-owned Burmah Oil Company announced today the withdrawal of all British nationals from the Central oilfields at Yenangyaung, 360 miles North of Rangoon.

The reason given was dangers arising from the conduct of military operations in the area. This means closing down completely at Yenangyaung, throwing hundreds out of work. The Company reported that the withdrawal was ordered on the advice of the Burmese Government.

Britons will be moved to Chauk, 40 miles North, all British-owned, are included in the withdrawal. They are the Burmah Oil Company, the Indo-Burma Petroleum Company and the British-Burmah Petroleum Company. They are working on the reconstruction of a 300-mile long

London, July 13.

Government and Opposition parties united in the House of Commons tonight to endorse the proclamation of a state of emergency in Britain designed to break the London dock strike.

A vote of 435 to four thanked the King for his message proclaiming this exceptional measure which was commended to the House by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee.

Mr. Attlee reported a steady worsening in the dock labour position when he asked Parliament to approve the emergency regulations.

Tonight 13,004 dockers are officially stated to be idle—nearly 30 per cent more than on Monday when the state of national emergency was proclaimed.

The congestion of neglected ships became more acute with 132 vessels idle five more than yesterday.

The five-man Dockers' Emergency Committee, formed to control the Port during the emergency, was in continuous session throughout the day and there were several minor developments, but tonight there seems little chance of an early end of the dispute.

The "Lock-Out" Committee, leading the idle dockers, announced a demonstration for Sunday which a spokesman forecast will be something which has not been seen in dock-land for 30 years.

Mr. Attlee, examining the dockers' claim that they are victims of an employers' lock-out, told Parliament: "I think there is no doubt that this is a strike."

He referred to the dockers' strike of working ships or cargo labelled "black" (concerned in a dispute).

Misguided

They have the Prime Minister said, a very strong sense of loyalty to their fellow workers but in the present case this loyalty is misguided and is being unscrupulously exploited. It is utterly untrue to say that some great trade union principle is involved.

Mr. Attlee read a cable from the President of the Canadian Trades and Labour Congress stating that the Canadian Seamen's strike—which precipitated the British docks dispute—is not recognised by the Congress.

The Prime Minister warned: "The situation is such as gravely to injure the economy of this country at a critical period in its history."

He said that 13,528 men are on strike, a slightly lower figure than that given officially at the docks—and that there are 11,000 still at work.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Deputy Opposition leader, promised Conservative support for the Government but said his party does not acquit the Government of all blame.

Reds Fireworks

They should have explained the situation to the dockers earlier and more fully. One of the features of the situation

"GO SLOW" DECISION IN LANCS

Manchester, July 13. Delegates representing 3,500 railway workers at nine goods depots in Manchester and Balford decided after an eight-hour secret meeting today to continue their "go slow" policy in support of a claim for a 10 shilling weekly wage increase.

The Manchester railwaymen started to slow down operations by "work to rule" methods at the beginning of the week after earlier plans to launch a similar protest throughout Britain had been called off by the Union.

The railwaymen's claim is to be investigated by a Conciliation Board set up by the Minister of Labour.—*Reuter.*

EVIDENCE OF RED INTRIGUE

London, July 13. Polish transport workers have been asked by their trade union to subscribe to a fund to help the striking Canadian seamen.

The text of a letter from the Polish Transport Union Headquarters, written on July 7 and appealing to all districts and branches throughout the country for financial help is now in the possession of the British Government.

Observers in London regard the letter as further evidence of a systematic Cominform policy to promote labour unrest and thereby aggravate the economic difficulties of the Western countries.

The letter, signed by the Chairman of the Polish Transport Union, Mr. G. Z. Orynski, accuses the Western Powers of denying legitimate rights to their merchant seamen.

It claims that the seamen's union in Canada and elsewhere will continue to fight for these rights.

It is known to London diplomatic observers that during the French coal strikes, Cominform funds were transferred to France through the London embassies of the Eastern European countries, including the Polish Embassy, by the use of diplomatic bags.—*Reuter.*

Bumper Crops For Europe

Prague, July 13. Eastern Europe has started reaping what she hopes will be her most bountiful harvest since the war.

From the Black Sea to the Baltic, harvest crews have moved into the lush wheat and rye crops with combines, reapers and hand scythes. If the hot, dry weather continues, prospects for Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Poland verge on bumper crop scale.

Bulgaria, hard hit by the early spring drought, hopes the late rains will save some of her crops. The harvest has just begun in most of the countries and will get into full swing for one or two weeks. In all the "people's democracies" regular farm labour is being augmented by "volunteer brigades" of students and factory workers.—*United Press.*

SABOTAGE THEORY RULED OUT IN KLM AIR TRAGEDY

Bombay, July 13. There is absolutely no ground for suspicion of sabotage of the KLM Constellation which crashed near here yesterday, killing 45 people, Mr. A. G. T. Hardy, the KLM Public Relations Officer for India and the Far East, told reporters here today.

At a brief cremation ceremony in a Hindu "burning ghat" tonight, 10-foot flames consumed the remains of five of the American journalists who died in the crash.

The ashes will be sent to relatives in the United States. The bodies of two others will probably be cremated tomorrow. The remains of Mr. H.R. Knickerbocker and Mr. Fred Colving ("Denver Post") are being interred at Bombay Cemetery after a Christian ceremony.

Seven more bodies were recovered from Chhatrapati Shivaji 5 p.m. today, bringing the total traced to 40.

Hundreds of police combed the underbrush for the remaining five. All luggage has been recovered.

The inquest on unidentified passengers was postponed till this evening at the request of J.A. Koka, Commercial Counselor at the Dutch Embassy. He said that the Dutch Embassy in New Delhi is sending representatives who may be able to identify some of the bodies.

The main service for the victims is being held collectively in Bombay town hall on Thursday at 12.30 p.m. Private services are being held this evening in the Corner's Court near the mortuary with American residents and the American Ambassador present.

The following passenger list of those aboard the plane was issued in Calcutta today:—

Passenger List

N. A. Barrows, "Chicago Daily News" Syndicate; J. H. Brant, "Houston Post"; F. A. Colvin, "Denver Post"; T. A. Falco, "Business Week"; C. E. Gralke, "Christian Science Monitor"; E. B. Health, Newspaper "Enterprises"; Elsie Dick-Reiser, Mutual Broadcasting; B. D. Hulien, "New York Times"; H. R. Knickerbocker; M. V. Mahoney, "San Francisco Chronicle"; L. C. Mahon, American public relations officer in charge of the party of American journalists; G. L. Morard, "Portland Oregonian"; W. H. Newton, Scripps Howard; J. R. Weekly, "Time" Magazine; K. E. Pilgrims, British representative of KLM in Singapore; J. Bloemink, Dutch; H. van Ginkel, Dutch; A. Hartevel, Dutch; M. Knickerbocker, Dutch; K. Kooyman-Valkenburg, Dutch; R. J. Landman, Dutch; Mrs. Van Leeuwen-Ton Doeschate, Dutch; H. Berle, Dutch; Mrs. Merle-Salderbeck, Dutch; A. Van Ophoven, Dutch; G. A. Rineker, Dutch; Mrs. C. Stelling, Dutch; J. Stuart, Dutch; F. L. Schepens, Dutch; Mr. & Mrs. E. H. Van Der Grot; Dutch; A. I. Richardson, British KLM Manager; Messrs Li and Hong, Chinese.

The American consulate has been instructed by the Washington State Department to cremate seven bodies at the request of relatives who want the ashes sent to them.

Relatives of two of the victims wish them to be buried here. A proposal to carry all the bodies to America is considered "impossible owing to the state of the bodies."

The Netherlands consul said that a KLM Constellation from Holland is expected to land here at Bombay on Thursday carrying Government officials and detectives to investigate the disaster.

Aerodrome "OK"

The Controller of Aerodromes, Shumshire Jung, asserted that the aerodrome was perfectly OK when the Constellation was about to land.

A Dakota aircraft from Ahmednagar landed 20 minutes after the KLM plane left the aerodrome's vicinity and plenty of take-offs were executed before the Constellation was sighted, he said.

In Karachi, a Pakistan Foreign Office spokesman denied an Indian press report that Pakistan had refused permission for the KLM plane which crashed to land at Karachi.

The report said that the plane had been diverted to Bombay because Pakistan had refused this permission.

The Pakistan Foreign Office spokesman said that the KLM authorities had made an unofficial approach to Pakistan asking for permission for the plane to land at Karachi, and the Government had replied that the necessary permission would definitely be given.

No official approach was subsequently made, however, the spokesman added.—*Reuter and Associated Press.*

ATTLEE TALKS WITH WINSTON

London, July 13. Britain's defence problems were the subject of confidential 80-minute discussions today between the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, accompanied by members of the Government, and the Opposition leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, and other leading Conservatives.

Mr. Attlee had agreed earlier this year to discuss defence problems with Mr. Churchill who had criticised the Government's policy. The discussions will be continued next week and may be followed by a further meeting.

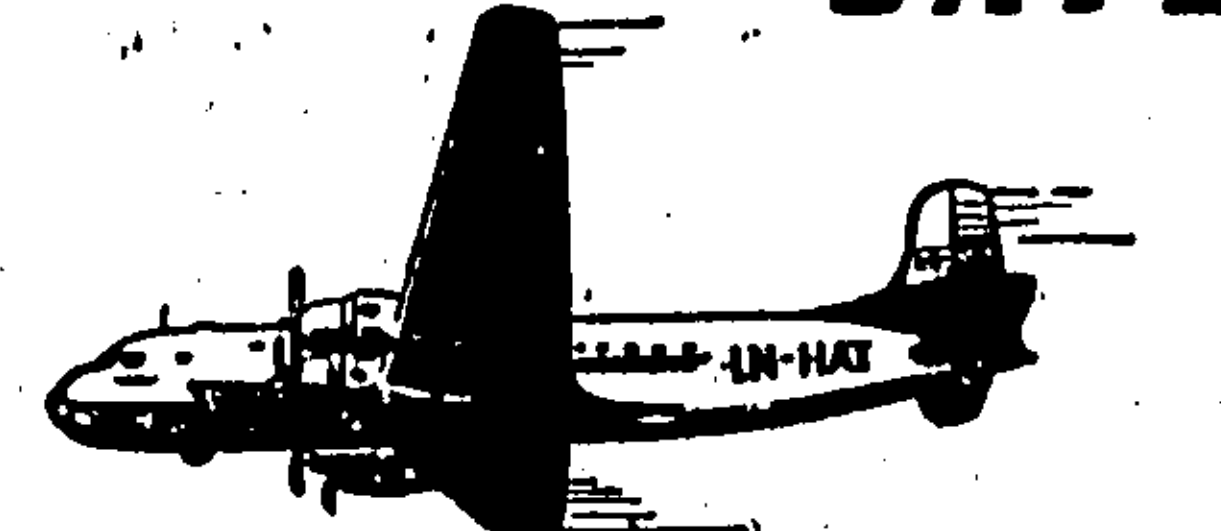
The basis of the talks today was a comprehensive memorandum on British defence problems which Mr. Churchill sent to the Prime Minister.—*Reuter.*

RUSSIAN MOVES IN GERMANY

Berlin, July 13. The British-licensed newspaper "Telegraph" reported today that the Russian Army is building food depots in the South Eastern German provinces of Saxony and Thuringia for the supply of large-scale contingents of troops.

The "Telegraph" said all former German Wehrmacht food depots in the two provinces are being heavily stocked.—*United Press.*

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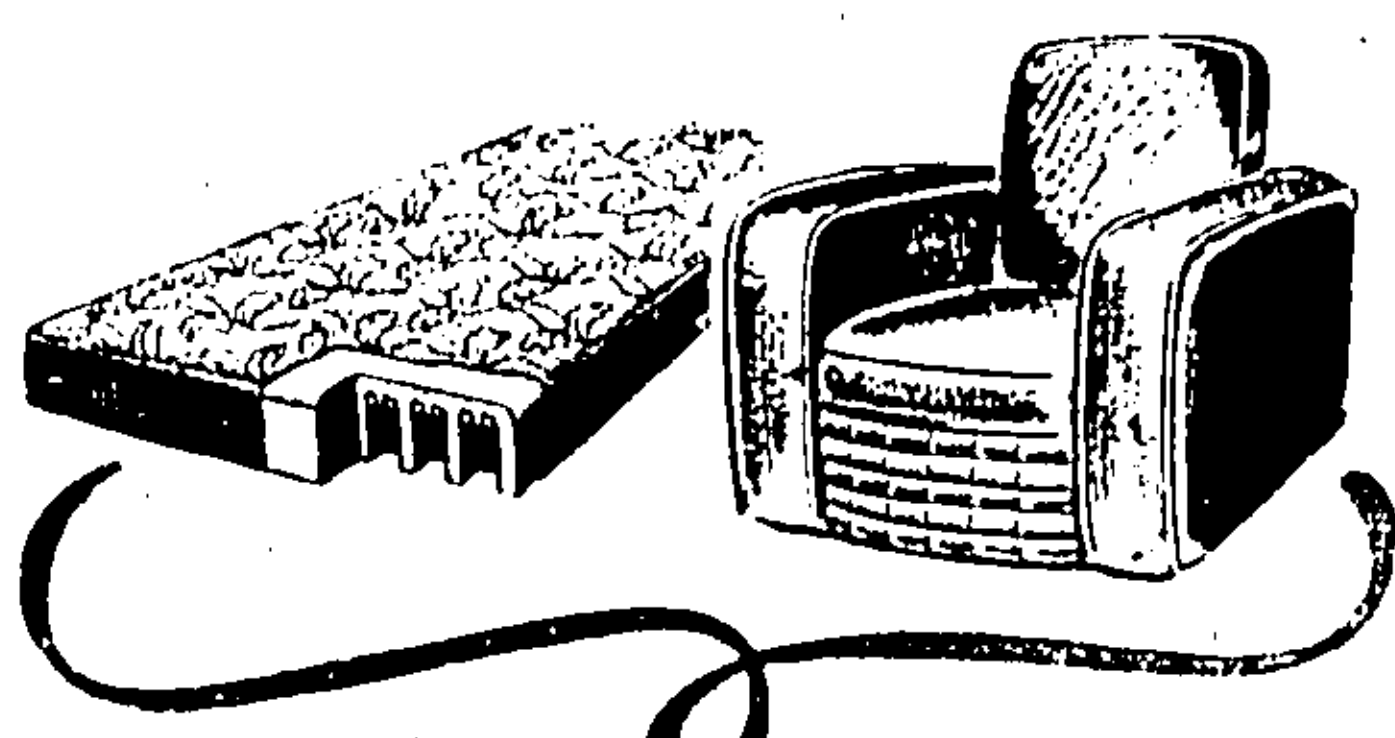
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Acheson Opposes Any Cuts In U.S. Arms Aid

Washington, July 13.

Mr. Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, today opposed any proposal to cut down the Administration's \$1,450 million military aid programme to back up the North Atlantic Pact.

Speaking at a press conference, he rejected suggestions made in Congress that the North Atlantic Pact necessarily commits the United States for 10 years or more to arming the Western European nations.

The North Atlantic Pact is already being debated in the Senate. Congress is expected to take up the military aid programme later.

Mr. Acheson said that the Administration hopes to convince Congress that the military aid programme has been brought down to a minimum as a result of the many investigations made by the Administration.

He rejected suggestions made in Congress that the North Atlantic Pact necessarily commits the United States for 10 years or more to arming the Western European nations.

He said that there are no implied commitments in the North Atlantic Treaty and all the commitments have been expressed in clear and precise language.

American Stand On Trieste

Washington, July 13.

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, re-affirmed today the American position that Trieste should be returned to Italy.

He made this statement at a news conference in referring to Marshal Tito's speech last Sunday that Yugoslavia will never give up claims on Trieste.

At the same time, Mr. Acheson said that the new American-Italian treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation expected to be ratified by both countries about July 15, will bring closer relations between the two nations.

Mr. Acheson said: "The treaty is based firmly upon the liberal principles and economic interdependence which we uphold and contains sound reasonable provisions well designed to stimulate mutually advantageous flow of capital and technology which is in line with the basic objectives of the far-sighted programme."

President Truman's four-point programme is to aid to backward areas. The Italian-American treaty is the most modern and will probably be a model for agreements with other countries. Mr. Truman signed it on June 16 and President Elnaudi on June 18.—Associated Press.

Meanwhile, in the Senate today, the debate on the ratification of the North Atlantic Pact continued for the third day with a majority from a Republican Senator that refused to ratify the Pact would help the Communist dictatorship.

Call For Union

Senator Robert C. Hendrickson called for an unqualified ratification and said that the Treaty will help the United States "at less cost and danger than any alternative that I know of to gain the time we need."

He called for a Federal Union among the nations with a peace that the Treaty alone is an insufficient safeguard against underground Communism in Western Europe.

Senator Kenneth Wherry, a Republican Senate leader, introduced today a declaration designed to free the Atlantic Pact nations from any obligation to supply arms to the other signatories.

Mr. Wherry told reporters that the declaration would, in effect, be an amendment to the ratifying resolution. "I want to put in black and white that there is no legal or moral obligation to supply arms," he added.

He said that the declaration does not mean that he is opposed to an arms programme for Western Europe, but that he believes each arms appropriation should be considered by Congress on its merits.

The Democratic majority leader, Sen. Lucas, said that he might ask tomorrow for Opposition consent to take a vote late on Friday, or perhaps on Saturday.

"Provocation" To Russia
Senator Ralph Flanders, Republican, described the Treaty as "deceitful, dangerous, offensive and founded on fear."

A better alternative, he said, would be a dual policy of extending the Monroe Doctrine to include Western Europe and strengthening the United Nations without force.

"It would not give the same provocation to Russia to develop her armaments as fast or faster than we can develop our own."

Speaking in support of the Pact, Senator Homer Ferguson, Republican, told the Senate that it constitutes a revolutionary departure in United States policy, which has resulted from the demand of the American people.

He added that the North Atlantic Pact will bring to America a permanency and stability in her foreign policy.—Reuter.

SCHEMES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF COLONIES

London, July 13.

Schemes of Colonial development involving £35,000,000 are now under consideration by the British Colonial Development Corporation.

This is disclosed in the Corporation's first annual report published today.

The report said that the schemes will take three to five years to mature.

It said that sales of tin and rubber to the Western Hemisphere from Malaya and cocoa from West Africa accounted for almost the whole of the Colonial dollar surplus last year. This was running at the rate of £2,500,000 sterling in the first half of the year. The Colonial Empire as a whole earned a net dollar surplus although the dollar deficit of the United Kingdom during 1948 was £311,000,000.—Reuter.

BARRIERS TO TRADE ATTACKED

Washington, July 13.

The elimination of unnecessary trade barriers and the free interchange of European currencies on a basis of true value is recommended by the Senate Appropriations Committee in its report on the Marshall Aid Appropriation Bill for 1949-50.

The report, released today, said: "The European nations which are recipients of our loans should take greater pains to solve the twin problems of trade barriers and currency exchange."

The Committee recommended the appropriation of \$3,028,800,000 for 12 months. This compares with a House of Representatives recommendation of \$3,568,047,000 which could have been spent in 10-1/2 months.

The Committee decided to grant an additional \$150,000,000 in the form of loans to the operating nations which would be financed by a public debt transaction and not on an appropriations basis.

This sum will be available, however, as economic assistance to Europe during the current fiscal year.

A reduction of \$5,000,000 to \$45,000,000 is recommended in the amount requested for assistance to Greece and Turkey.

The Committee suggested an appropriation of \$900,000,000 for relief in the occupied areas, which is \$25,000,000 less than that allowed by the House of Representatives.—Reuter.

EXCOMMUNICATION OF ROMAN CATHOLICS WHO PROFESS COMMUNISM

Rome, July 13.

The Roman Catholic Church tonight automatically excommunicated anybody who professes Communism, including millions of faithful in such strong Catholic countries as France, Hungary, Rumania and Czechoslovakia.

In an unprecedented denunciation, the Vatican Holy Office condemned Communism as a materialist doctrine whose followers will no longer be permitted to remain within the Church.

The global excommunication is an answer to the confusion created between the Vatican-sponsored Catholic Action and the Communist Government Catholic Action in Czechoslovakia.

The decree also excommunicates those faithful who go to Mass and receive Communion but at the same time work for the Communist Party.

Heretofore, the Pope and various Bishops have warned their faithful of involving mortal sins in their practice of Communism. This drastic step was taken by the Supreme Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office, the Church's ruling body on matters of faith. The decision was announced in the "Acta Apostolicae Sedis," the official Vatican Gazette promulgated by the Pope personally.

Regarding excommunication, the Congregation said practising Communism is "heretics against the Catholic faith and are liable to excommunication, the right of which is reserved by the Holy See."

Giving its reasons for the decision, the Congregation said that Communism is materialistic and anti-Christian, and the Communist or Communist sympathisers cannot be Catholics since Communism is hostile to God and to the Church of God.

Approved By Pope

The Congregation's decisions were taken in a meeting on June 28. They were approved two days later by the Pope, who authorised their publication.

The Congregation considered four questions set before it:

1. Was it legal for Catholics to be Communists or condone Communism?
2. Was it legal for Catholics to print, distribute or read literature propagating Communism?
3. If Catholics were guilty of the first two acts, could they be admitted to the Holy Sacrament?
4. Can Catholics who are willing Communists be excommunicated?

The answer to the first three questions, it was stated, was "no." To the fourth, the answer was "yes."

The Congregation's answers to the four questions were as follows:

Anti-Christ

As regards Question 1: Communism is in fact materialistic and anti-Christian. Catholics who practise Communism, though they

declare they have not given up their religion are, in fact by their activities, hostile to God and to the true religion of the Church of Christ.

As regards Question 2: This was in fact condemned by Canon Law of 1399 (which outlawed heretical writings).

As regards Question 3: They could not be admitted to the Holy Sacrament because the normal laws do not permit the giving of the Holy Sacrament to those who are not spiritually disposed.

As regards Question 4: Catholics who profess the materialistic and anti-Christian doctrines of Communism, and particularly those who defend and propagate it, incur, ipso facto, since they are apostates from the Catholic faith, the danger of excommunication which the Holy See reserves to itself.—United Press and Reuter.

Dimitrov's Successor Picked

London, July 13.

Reliable reports reaching London from Sofia today suggest that the Soviet Politburo has advised the Bulgarian Communist Party that it wants Valco Chervenkov to succeed the late Georgi Dimitrov as Bulgarian Premier. Chervenkov, Dimitrov's brother-in-law, is 49.

According to the Sofia reports, he will probably get the job, ending the squabble among Bulgarian Communists as to who will succeed the Bulgarian Party leader. Dimitrov, who died in Moscow early this month after a long illness.

Sofia reports said the Soviet Politburo intervened directly in the intra-Bulgarian quarrel and advised the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party that the Kremlin views Chervenkov as the most suitable candidate. His opponents accuse him of having married Dimitrov's sister—who is 10 years older than himself—exclusively to further his own political advancement.

It is regarded as probable that the Soviet leader, Josef Stalin, personally communicated the Kremlin's choice to the three Bulgarian Communists who went to Moscow to get the remains of Dimitrov.—United Press.

LOTTERIES IN THE COLONIES

London, July 13.

In the House of Commons today, Mr. David Rees-Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, said that State lotteries are held in Malta and Gibraltar, and in 1948 the revenue was £207,706 and £56,000 respectively.

He was answering a question by Mr. J. Langford Holt, Conservative.

The Colonial Secretary does not, as a general principle, favour lotteries, but there are in certain cases local conditions which make them perhaps desirable.

The lottery in Malta has been in operation for many years.—Reuter.

CREeping STRIKE IN ITALY

Rome, July 13.

Italian building and reconstruction was crippled today as a two-day old builders' "creeping strike," called by the Communist-led General Labour Confederation (CGIL), spread

down the peninsula. It is estimated that nearly a 1,000,000 builders will ultimately be affected. Some 400,000 CGIL builders are idle in the North, where the provinces of Tuscany and Emilia today joined the provinces of Lombardy, Piedmont and Liguria, which walked out yesterday.

In addition, Christian Democrat "builders" have announced that 70,000 of their members have been called out throughout the nation. They are also demanding higher wages, but an official thinks their strike will end before the Confederation's demands are met so high. Tomorrow, the Confederation will extend the strike southwards to Rome, bringing out another 100,000 builders if their demands are still not met.

By the week-end, the whole country will be affected. A turbulent 24-hour strike by 750,000 metal workers ended at midnight last night. The strikers, seeking more pay, were involved in clashes in Turin and several other Northern cities when they tried to stop non-strikers from entering factories.

The building strike has so far been confined to the Minister of the Interior, Signor Mario Scelba, has ordered riot squads to keep a strict watch on potential trouble spots.—Reuter.

PAUL ROBESON ACCUSATION

Washington, July 13.

A Jewish leader accused the Negro singer, Paul Robeson, today of taking part in a deliberate Communist conspiracy to inflame racial and religious minorities here against the United States.

The statement, by Rabbi Benjamin Schultz, of New York, who is Executive Director of the American Jewish League against Communism, was presented to the House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities.

Rabbi Schultz said that the conspiracy has two aims, namely, inciting Jews, Negroes and other groups against America, and setting racial groups against one another by exaggeration and creating differences through insidious propaganda.

Rabbi Schultz said that the ultimate aim is to throw America into confusion, thus paving the way for a Stalinist revolution and conquest.

He added: "The majority of the Negroes, Jews, Catholics and foreign-born, in common with their fellow-Americans, detest Communism."—Reuter.

London, July 13.

The Minister of State, Mr. Hector McNeill, rejected in Parliament today a suggestion by a left wing Member that he ask the United States to remove from British soil the headquarters of the Commander-in-Chief, the American naval forces in the Eastern Atlantic.—Reuter.



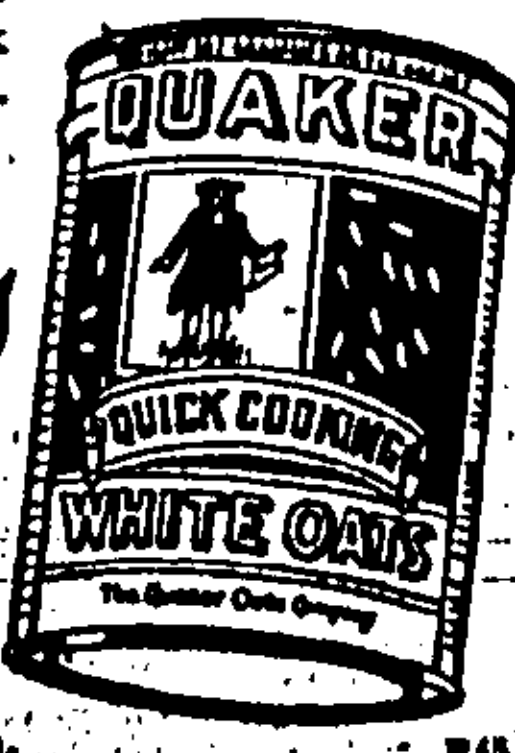
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Partial Strike In U.S. Steel

Pittsburgh, July 13. The United Steelworkers Union tonight announced a partial strike effective from midnight on Friday.

The President of the Union, Mr. Philip Murray, said that the strike will operate in those companies which have rejected President Truman's proposal for a 60-day strike while the issues in dispute are investigated.

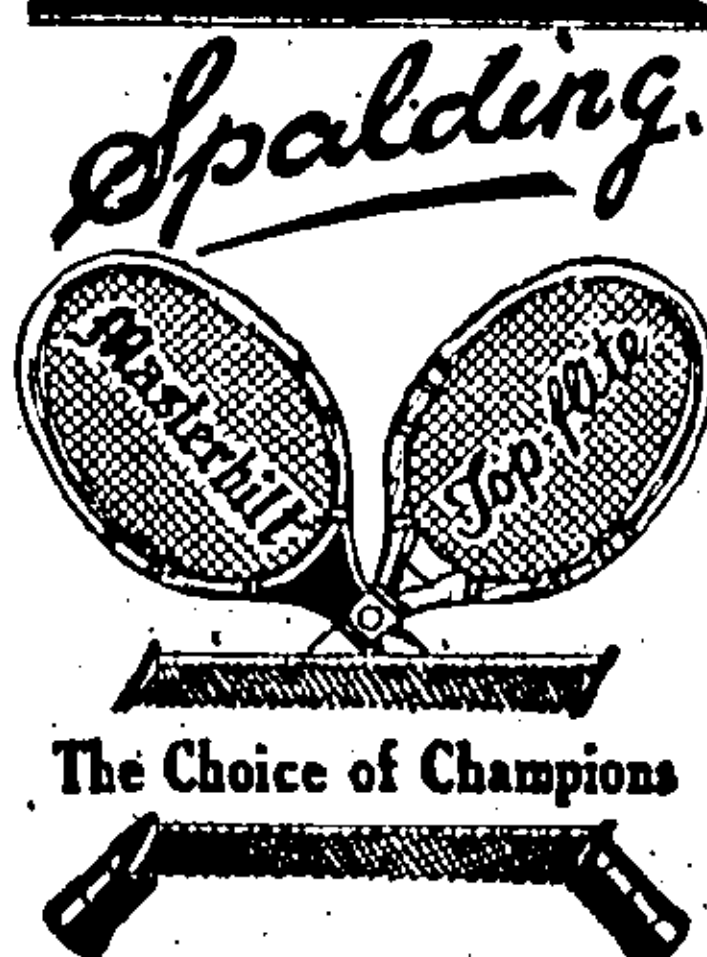
The Union had earlier accepted the President's proposal in principle.

Mr. Murray said that he has no information what companies will be affected but they appear to be the United States Steel Corporation, the Republic Steel Corporation, and the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, "as far as my information goes," he said.

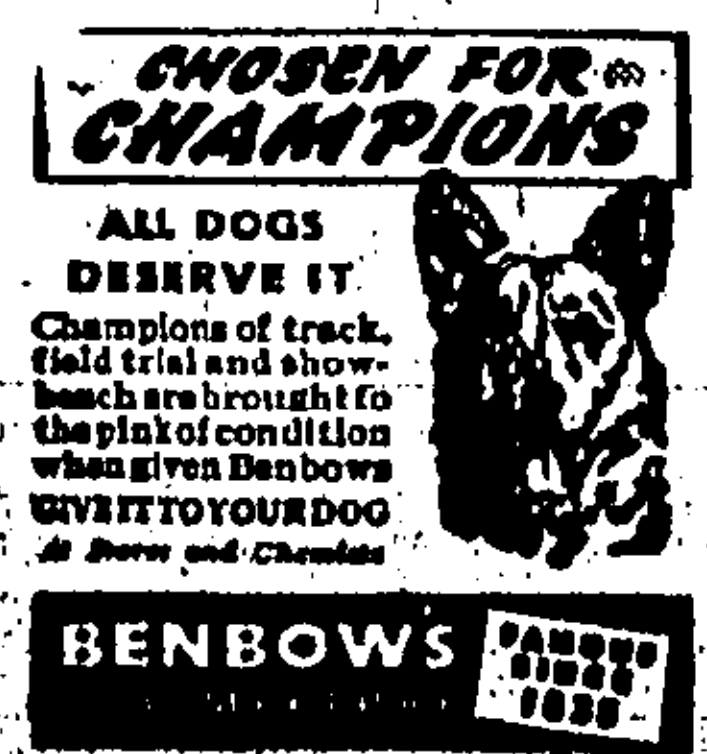
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London, July 13.
The economic Ministers of 10 Commonwealth countries, starting vital talks here today on the sterling-dollar deadlock, began a search for short-term methods to meet the immediate crisis.

The leaders had opened their talks with a two-hour morning session which the Finance Minister of New Zealand, Mr. Walter Nash, called a good start.

Mr. Ghulam Mohammad, of Pakistan, said that the morning meeting was successful but that it is only a beginning.

On Friday the delegations will get down to medium and short-term plans to earn more dollars by increasing Sterling Area exports.

Later the leaders will discuss long-term methods aimed to assist in the balance of dollar and Sterling Area economies.

The Finance Ministers are being assisted at this afternoon session—the second of the conference—by their respective advisers and technical experts.

At the morning session, the Commonwealth economic leaders discussed the agenda and programme of their secret talks on the dollar-sterling deadlock. The advisers and experts accompanying the leaders met separately in the morning to deal with the more technical and specific aspects of questions to be raised at the talks.

Mr. Clement Attlee, the British Prime Minister, welcoming the economic leaders before the talks began, declared that the problem they have to deal with vitally affects them all.

Recognising that they have their own special problems in each particular country, he added, the broad problem they have to face is one which concerns the whole of the Commonwealth and, indeed, the whole world.

Combined Wisdom
To bring here the combined wisdom of all the Commonwealth countries would help greatly towards a solution, he said.

Mr. Attlee observed that one of the recommendations of the Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers here last October was that there should be meetings of the Finance Ministers when there were urgent and important financial matters to be considered.

He recognised how difficult it is for Commonwealth Ministers, with their many and heavy pre-occupations at home, to attend the conference, especially at short notice, and he was particularly grateful for the manner in which they had responded to the invitation.

He hoped that the conference would enable the countries represented not only to solve the immediate problem which was before them but to lay foundations for the working out of long-term policies.

Mr. Attlee remarked that the financial problems before them are bound up with the political settlement and stability of the world.

Mr. Nash responded to the British Prime Minister's welcome on behalf of his Commonwealth colleagues.

South African sources said today that the Union is approaching the conference with a desire to impress on Britain that if she is to recapture South African markets and reduce import cuts to a minimum, the Union must be provided with the wherewithal to buy more United Kingdom and United States goods.

The South African delegation will impress on the conference that there is plenty of scope for increased British imports and capital investment in South Africa, South Africa will also say that she will welcome British and American capital investment in mining and secondary industries.

—Reuter.

Social Security In France

Paris, July 13. The French National Assembly decided by 293 votes to 204 today to invite the Government to continue the social security system on its present principles but to improve its administration.

The motion, which ended a three-day debate, expressed confidence that the Government will apply these principles.

The Socialists, the Popular Republicans and the majority of the Radicals, for the motion. The Communists, the Gaullists and most of the moderates and right-wing Deputies voted against.

Although the majority in the Government's favour is rather slim, the vote is not expected to have any immediate adverse effect on the life of M. Henri Queuille's Coalition Government.

On the contrary, observers consider it means that the Queuille Government has cleared its last hurdle before the two-month Parliamentary vacation beginning at the end of July.

Dumping Plan For Europe Ill-Advised

Washington, July 13. Marshall Plan officials are deeply concerned over a plan which may mean that Europe will have to accept goods she does not want or lose their value in Marshall dollars.

The proposal, made by the Senate Appropriations Committee, is that 1,500 millions of Marshall dollars shall be used to buy surplus United States goods for "dumping" in Europe.

The New York Times said senior officials are ready to resign in a body rather than try to administer the provision.—Reuter.

THE SAD STORY

London, July 13.

Tentative tables issued by the British Treasury tonight, in advance of tomorrow's economic debate in the House of Commons, showed how Britain's gold and dollar deficit in the first half of this year came to be £44,000,000 worse than the Government's Economic Survey forecast last March.

Gold and dollar payments for British imports were precisely as forecast.

Receipts for British exports were £12,000,000 less. Other net payments were £18,000,000 bigger.

Thus, Britain's deficit with the dollar area was £30,000,000 bigger than the Economic Survey forecast.

The dollar deficit of the rest of the Sterling Area was £22,000,000 bigger than forecast—£37,000,000 instead of £15,000,000.

Gold and dollar payments to non-dollar countries were £8,000,000 less than estimated.

From the world as a whole, Britain's imports were £19,000,000 less than forecast. Her exports were £5,000,000 down.

The volume of British exports to the world was 150-1/2 per cent. of the 1938 volume.—Reuter.

No Depression In U.S.—Truman

Washington, July 14.

President Truman said today that some Americans would like to have a depression for political reasons.

Gandhi Was Ahead Of Our Times

Paris, July 13.

The Gandhian educationist, Shriman Narayan Agarwal, told a public meeting here last night that Mahatma Gandhi's ideas were perhaps a century ahead of our times.

Gandhi's philosophy and activities were not only for India but for the world, he said.

"His ideas regarding economic decentralisation and political decentralisation of power in the form of decentralised democracy through village communities deserve scientific study in the Western countries," he added.

"Unless we pay sufficient attention to these principles, science and modern centralised industrialisation will themselves compel the world to resort to a different way of life."

Mr. Agarwal, who is Principal of Sekaria Commerce College, Wardha, earlier addressed the Education Department of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation on Gandhi's scheme of basic education in India.

"It is based on the principle of learning through productive activity," he said.

"The experiment has been a great success," he added.—Reuter.

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Lesson 37 (H)

Vocabulary:

312. (sho) shoh(3).
313. (cham) (3)jam.
314. (tau) (1)tau.
315. (shau) shau(2).
316. (cha) jah(1).
317. (su) seoo(2).

Combinations:

61. (3)Hoh shoh(3).
62. Faw(2) choh(1) (3)jam.
63. (1)Tau dung(2).
64. (3)Yee dung(2).
65. Jah(1) shau(2).
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69. (1)Im gay(3) duk(1).
70. (1)Tai (1)long.

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A station. A stop.
The head. Top. First.
A hand.
To grasp. To hold.
Small. Petty. Little.

A number. (e.g. telephone).
A railway station.
First class.
Second class.
To shake hands.
A pick-pocket.
Careful. To take care.

To remember.
To forget.
To beware.
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The next morning, I got up very early.

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I got into the train.

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(To be continued)

"WEREWOLF" IN POLICE HANDS

Rome, July 13.

A young Roman "werewolf", whose howling under the moon in the dead of the night sent chills through lovers in warm embrace, has fallen into the hands of the Rome police.

He was captured in the moon-bathed Villa Borghese, an ancient park in the centre of the city, howling from the top of a pine-sloped hilltop.

The police sprang from the cover of the ancient ruins as the first eerie howls of which lovers had complained for nights, echoed through the shadows. They found the youth, arms outstretched and howling.

Said he: "I always get restless when the moon is full." He was held for medical examination.—Reuter.

Pakistan Statement Rejected

New Delhi, July 13.

The Afghanistan Ambassador to India declared today that a statement by the Pakistan Foreign Minister on Monday, rejecting Afghanistan's claim to the tribal area on the Pakistan side of the "Durand Line", is not in conformity with past and present facts.

The Ambassador, Sardar Najibu Ilay Khan, said: "Right from the start the Afghan Government had made it very clear to the British Government, prior to partition (of India), and to the Pakistan Government after its establishment, that the area occupied by the Pukhtoons between the so-called Durand Line and the River Indus, is not an integral part of any foreign country, including Pakistan."

The Pukhtoons had fought for many years for their freedom against British penetration and they could not now be annexed by mere declarations. The Afghan Government, the Ambassador added, realised the value of very friendly and close relations with Pakistan and the benefits not only to the two countries but to the peace and security of the world.—Reuter.

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INVASION OF ELEPHANTS

Mombasa, July 13.

A former elephant hunter, Jack Bonham, is using fireworks here to drive off the greatest concentration of the beasts he has ever seen.

An estimated 5,000 elephants, roaming in herds great and small, have invaded Kenya's coast province in a harassed search for water. Mr. Bonham, now a game warden, is using fireworks to frighten the elephants away from the coastal settlements, where they have destroyed large crop areas.

Last week, Mr. Bonham shot 35 of the beasts after two people had been killed in a stampede.—Reuter.

NAZI AMNESTY PLAN-DEFEATED

Vienna, July 13.

Socialist Deputies mustered sufficient support here today to defeat an Austrian Government measure which would have granted an amnesty to ex-Nazis. This was the first major defeat suffered by the Chancellor, Dr. Leopold Figl's, Coalition.

The Deputies, who succeeded in drawing their own Ministers away from the measure which they had earlier approved, claimed that the People's Party (Socialists) must gain the electoral support of ex-Nazis.—Reuter.

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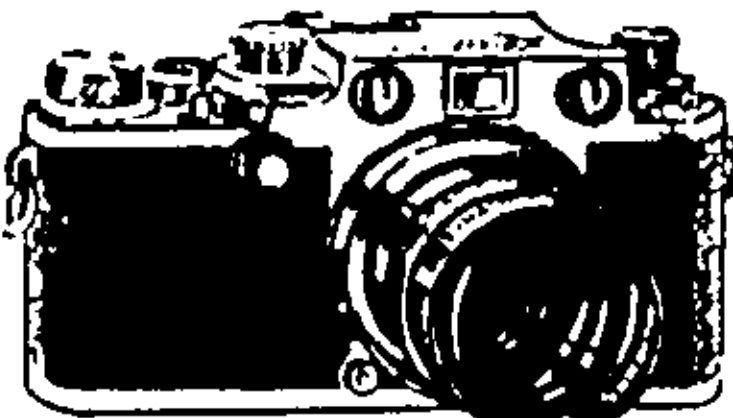
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TWO 'NOAH'S ARKS' FOUND BY TURK EXPLORERS

Istanbul, July 13.

Two Turks claimed today to have found Noah's Ark—in two different parts of Turkey. Then Ministry of the Interior promised each man 40 per cent of whatever money his find produces.

EMERALD FIND IN MEWAR

Oxford, July 13.
Dr. Darashan Wadia, mining adviser to the Indian Government, told the Empire Mining and Metallurgical Congress at Oxford today that emeralds have been discovered in Mewar State, where gem beryls of beautiful colour were found in 1943.

Emerald crystals, varying from a half to four inches in length, have been extracted. On cutting, they had yielded attractive gems worth about 500,000 rupees.

The use of semi-precious stones for manufacture as watch jewels and pivot bearings for scientific instruments is receiving attention, he added.

Sir Lewis Leight, former geological expert, condemning the inadequacy of the British Government's compensation for war-ravaged Malayan Industries, said that the chairman of the companies had been outspoken on the inadequacy of the compensation.

According to a recent statement, claims totalled £170,000,000. The British Government had set a limit of £55,000,000, and proposed a "free grant" of £10,000,000, leaving Malaya to meet the rest with the aid of £10,000,000 of Japanese reparations, if obtainable.

It was thus that Britain proposed to settle her obligations towards a country to which it was bound by treaty and in honour bound to protect and whose inhabitants contributed £20,000,000 to Britain by the end of 1941.

Malaya is left to meet 94 per cent of the burden, 85 per cent if Japanese reparations are secured, while Britain shoulders six per cent.—Reuter.

Assault In RN Dockyard

Plymouth, July 13.

The Egyptian Government pleaded for leniency for Charles McGregor, of Plymouth, who was charged with assaulting a Royal Egyptian naval officer here.

McGregor, who pleaded guilty, was bound over to keep the peace for 12 months. Mr. C. F. Lewis, for the Egyptian Embassy, refused to accept the 42 shillings cost the Court allowed. "I suggest the money is put into the Poor Box," he said.

Mr. Lewis said that the Egyptian Government six months ago purchased the British frigate Spey and renamed it the Rens Raschid. Lieutenant Hussein was in charge of the repairs to the craft while it was undergoing refit. Lieutenant Hussein saw that McGregor was not getting on with his work on June 22. McGregor, not knowing that Lieutenant Hussein was there in an official capacity, hit the lieutenant in the eye. The Egyptian lieutenant and McGregor shook hands as they left the Court.—Reuter.

Meanwhile, four Americans reached Ankara today to beg permission to cross military zones to climb Ararat on the Russo-Turkish frontier in their search for the Ark.

One Turkish "discoverer" said he found the Ark—at a point 12 walking days' distant from Tokat in North Central Anatolia.

Three quarters of it was buried in the earth, he said, and that part which showed above the surface was covered with trees and foliage.

A thick black substance resembling tar had preserved it, he said.

The second alleged Ark is reported from Mardin, near the Syrian frontier in South East Turkey. Its discoverer said it is in the Judy Mountains near the triangle where the frontiers of Turkey, Syria and Iraq join.

American Bid

The finder said it was very well preserved and inside were three rooms in one of which was a small chapel.

The four Americans who arrived in Istanbul by air from the U.S. a fortnight ago called on the American Ambassador, George Wadsworth, to ask for help with their request to the Turkish authorities.

But even with his help, most observers feel, the four will have serious difficulties in obtaining permission.

No military area is more closely guarded than that they would have to cross.

Russia has already described as "spies" persons wanting to climb Ararat which looks down on Soviet territory.—Associated Press.

Defences Napping In Alaska

Washington, July 13.

The Alaskan delegate, Mr. E. L. Bartlett, testified today that the United States Army has less than 15,000 troops in all Alaska and that proper defence there is more necessary than during the war because of the increased range of bombers.

Mr. Bartlett appeared today before the Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee. He urged it to vote more funds for the construction of permanent housing for troops and civilians in Alaska. He added that more housing for troops is a major factor in improving defence of the territory.

Mr. Fergus Hoffman, correspondent of the "Seattle Times-Intelligencer," testified earlier that Alaskan defences are dangerously weak and if war breaks out tomorrow the enemy wall might occupy Dutch Harbour and Kodiak. An enemy occupying Alaskan bases could bring U.S. cities under fire from guided missiles.

Mr. Hoffman testified that Alaska is dotted with abandoned World War II airfields which are extremely vulnerable to attack. They should be staffed or destroyed. He also mentioned repeated rumours of the appearance of Russian planes and submarines in the vicinity of Alaska.—United Press.

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PACIFIC PACT PLAN PREMATURE

Washington, July 13.
The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said today that the United States still stands on its belief that a Pacific pact at this time will be premature.

He does not object to the Quinco-Chiang idea of an economic and political union outside the arms field he said.—United Press.

NEGROES SHUN COMMUNISM

Washington, July 13.
Mr. Alvin Stokes, a Negro investigator on the staff of the House of Representatives' Committee on Un-American Activities, told the Committee today that about 1,400 Negroes, or hardly more than a tenth of one per cent of the Negro population of the country, are Communists.

He said the Communist Party has a programme camouflaged for the time being for setting up a Soviet Republic in the so-called Black Belt of the South.

The Committee took note of a letter from General Dwight Eisenhower that the historic record proves irrefutable proof of the loyalty of Negro troops in the recent world war.—Reuter.

'LITTLE BLOCKADE'-- BRITAIN'S POLICY

London, July 13.

Britain's policy in trying to settle the situation arising from the new Soviet restrictions on road traffic to Berlin will be to exhaust the local machinery for action between the four occupying authorities before restoring to Governmental action.

The answer given by Mr. Hector McNeil, Minister of State, in the House of Commons today suggests that Britain is prepared to give the Soviet authorities in Berlin every chance to remove the obstacles placed on traffic from the West in the spirit of the four-power agreement reached in New York and in Paris.

The next step, following the failure of the Soviet authorities to reply satisfactorily to the representations by the Western powers, is expected here to be an approach through the Soviet Commander-in-Chief, General Chikov, who was present in Paris when the four Foreign Ministers undertook to restore free traffic and trade between the two halves of Germany.

Observers here tonight are inclined to link the renewal of the Soviet traffic restrictions with the deadlock reported today in the negotiations between the German economic experts from the Western and Soviet Zones for a trade agreement between East and West Germany.

The difficulty here is that the Western German representatives wish to base the flow of trade on a rate of four Soviet marks to

Welfare Agencies Accused

Frankfurt, July 13.

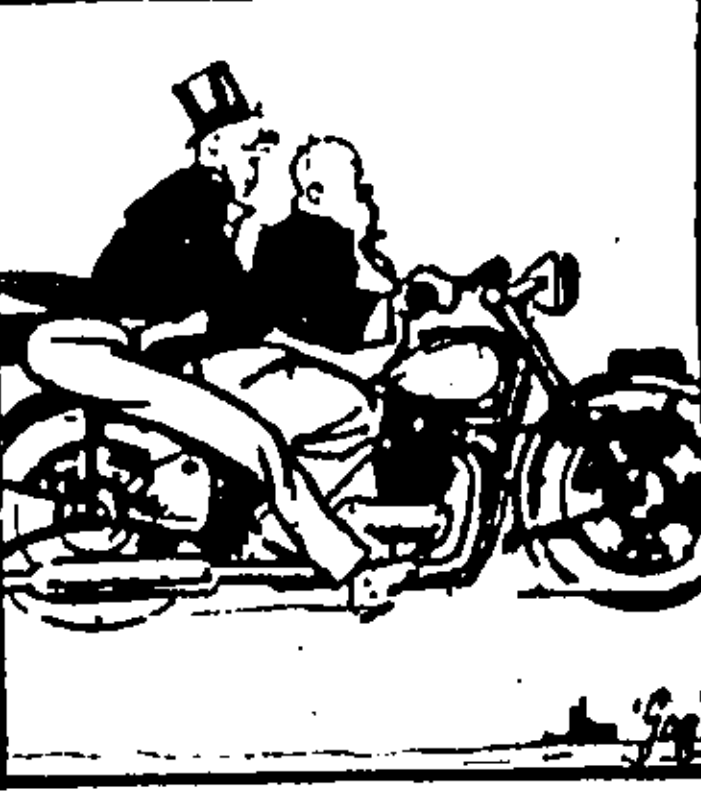
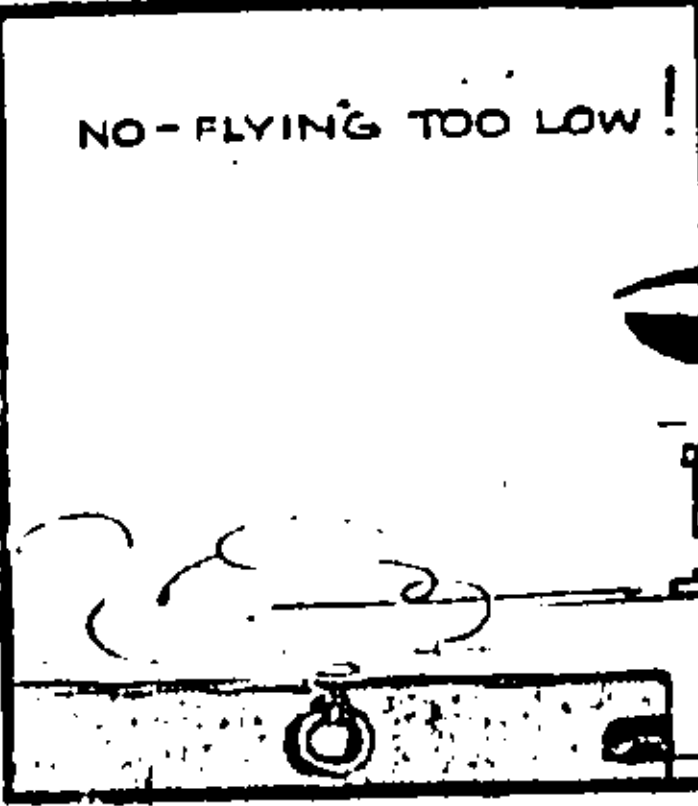
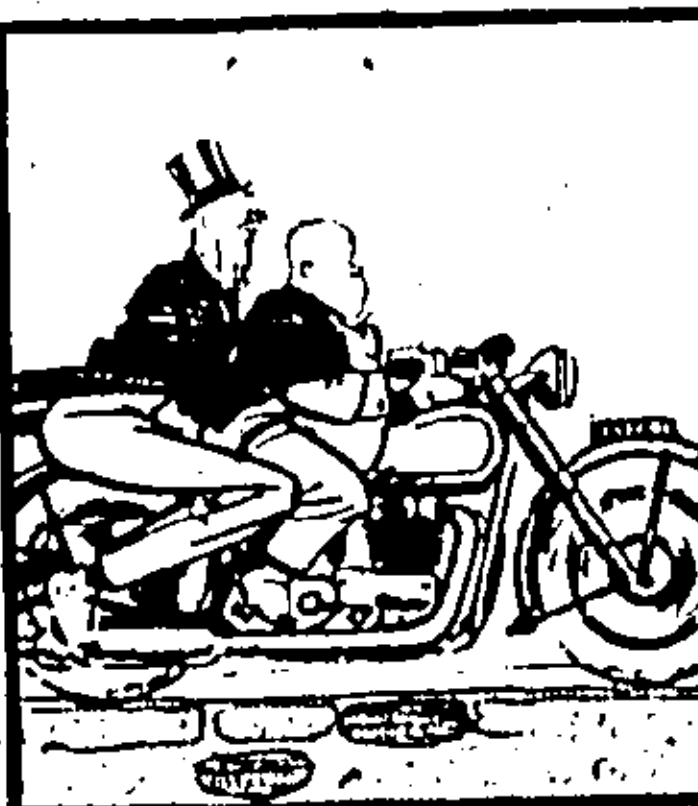
Some of the largest and most respectable welfare agencies operating in Germany were accused today of being involved in a multi-million-dollar racket of smuggling food into Germany.

An official American Military Government report said that these agencies, through their officials, have conspired to bring in large quantities of gift shipments, ranging anywhere from foodstuffs up to restricted and prohibited machinery and other items, duty free, then have commercial firms of nefarious individuals secure these items direct from the Customs and divert them into commercial and black-market channels.

The report does not name any of the organisations involved and Mr. John McCarthy, chief of the Customs group, said names will not be made public until the investigation is complete.—United Press.

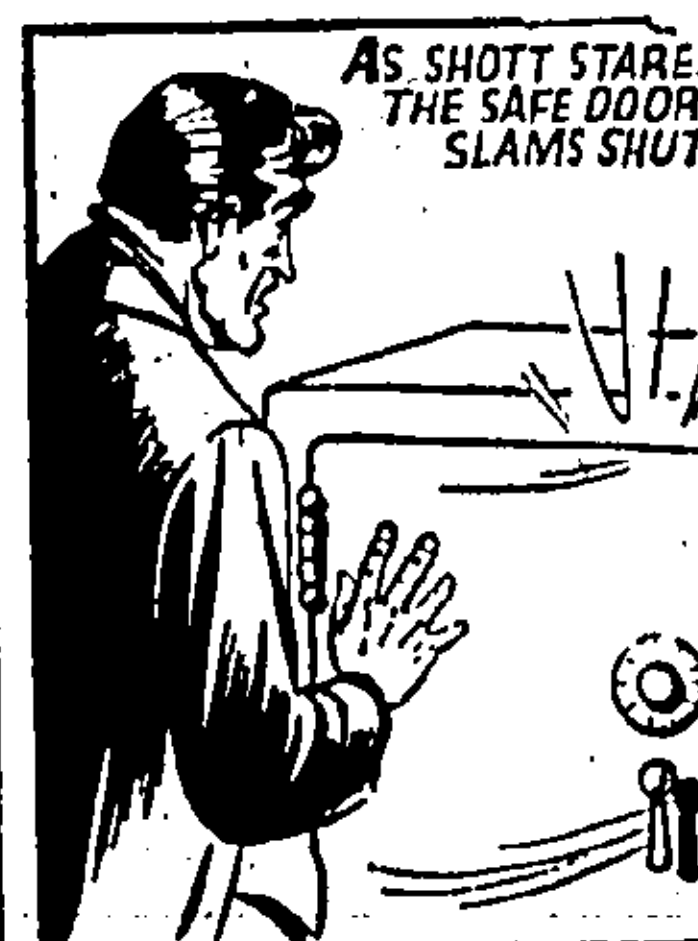
traffic as a means of pressure on the Western authorities to use their influence on the West German trade negotiators in Berlin to meet the demands of the Soviet Zone German experts.—Reuter.

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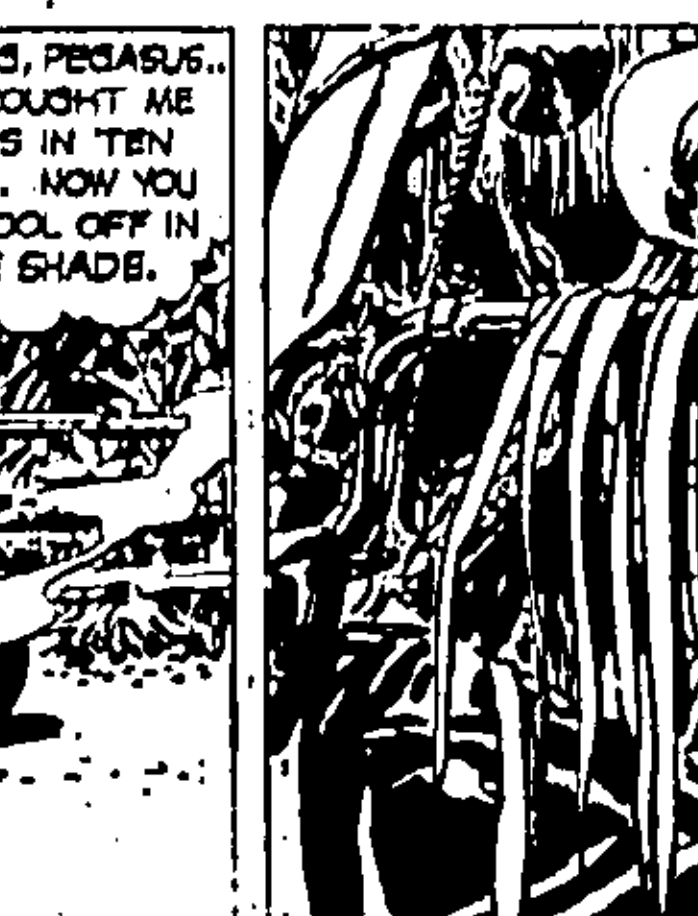
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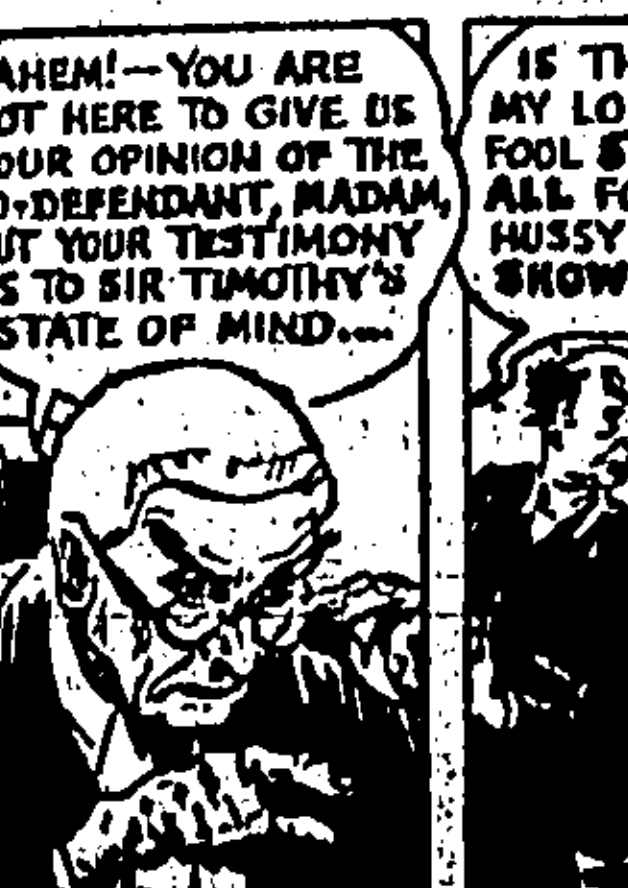
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SLIC ANNUAL MEETING

A net profit of HK\$147,839.89 for the year ended December 31, 1948, was reported at the annual general meeting of the Shanghai Loan and Investment Company Limited, held at the "South China Morning Post" board room yesterday.

Out of this sum HK\$125,000 was transferred to Reserve against Fluctuation of Investments. It was pointed out that this was necessitated by the depreciation of the Company's investments in Hong Kong and some of the remaining investments in China.

Since the last annual meeting the capital of the Company had been converted into Hong Kong currency and the capital was now 324,000 shares of HK\$2 each.

A dividend of 20 cents a share, less tax, was approved by the meeting.

Reviewing the position of the Company, the Chairman, Mr. E. B. McEldon, said:

"An approximate analysis of the Company's investments as at December 31, 1948, was as follows:

Investments in Hongkong Companies 79%
Investments in Plantation Companies 7%
Various other Investments 14%

"During the year under review you holding in Hong Kong which was from the bank of your investment went through a period of capital depreciation. Yet these investments, despite showing a somewhat wide difference between purchase cost and market value, continued to maintain a very appreciable earning value in the form of dividends received.

"Your directors are confident that the portfolio your Company has built up of investments in Hong Kong companies, which includes a selection of dividend earning industries and enterprises which your Directors feel would be hard to equal anywhere else.

"A company of this nature relies to a large extent on profits made by buying and selling investments. These operations require an active stock market which, unfortunately, has not been the case during the year. It is to be hoped that the Hong Kong Stock Exchange will be able to attract more active business by introducing weekly settlements or any other suggestions which may induce a larger proportion of the Hong Kong public to operate upon the Stock Exchange, either for investment or speculation, and less on the other market which are so active in Hong Kong."

After the report and accounts were adopted Mr. C. H. Arnold was re-elected to the Board and Messrs. Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors. Present at the meeting were Mr. E. B. McEldon (Chairman), Mr. W. A. Welch and Mr. C. H. Arnold (Directors) and shareholders representing 55,405 shares.

Reviewing the Company's activities for the year, the Chairman, Mr. E. B. McEldon, said:

"The total crop of 245,773 lbs. for the six producing months under review can be considered quite satisfactory after taking into consideration the shortage of labour and the very uncertain and hazardous conditions that have prevailed.

"During the occupation approximately 1,031 acres of rubber trees were destroyed. Of the remaining 1,002 acres, 1,004 acres are being tapped and further areas will be brought into production as circumstances permit and additional parts of the Estate become more accessible.

"There has been no capital expenditure for rehabilitation. The amount spent on rehabilitation covering essential repairs and small equipment, viz. \$45,710.76, has been charged to rubber working account.

"A capital conversion adjustment account has been included in the statement of accounts to show how the directors, under professional advice, revalued the assets of the company.

"The directors have also taken the necessary steps to convert the capital of the company into Hong Kong dollars and this was registered on June 19, 1949.

"The item under sundry creditors amounting to \$39,329.60 which constituted a loan to the estate has been liquidated."

After the report and accounts were adopted Mr. W. A. Welch was re-elected to the Board and the appointment of Mr. C. H. Arnold as a Director was confirmed. Messrs. Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors.

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French National Day Observed In Colony

France's national day was observed in Hong Kong yesterday with a cocktail party given by Mr. Jobez, French Consul, at the Griggs, Hong Kong Hotel, which was attended by more than 600 guests, headed by the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham.

Welcoming the guests, the French Consul said the French had a love for their mother country which was often increased when they were away from their home. He himself had been back to France quite recently, and he could assure his compatriots that their mother country was as beautiful, as affable and as pleasant as ever.

Frenchship for the French, said M. Jobez, was more than amply evidenced by the cosmopolitan gathering at the reception, and he wished to express his most sincere thanks for their presence.

Replying for the guests, the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, said it had always been a great privilege to pay tribute to a great nation such as France, and to a great people such as the French.

Did Not Succumb

Why, asked Sir Alexander, had the French people not succumbed to these overwhelming difficulties of the post-war period?

The reason he said, was to be found in the good sense of the French people themselves. The French people, he said, had more faith than we thought the phlegmatic Anglo-Saxon and Hollander had.

The French people, Sir Alexander said, were fundamentally sound, and were endowed with common sense. They had gone through a furnace since 1940, but they had emerged from the ordeal spiritually fortified, and she had resumed her place among the four Great Powers of the world.

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Airmail for Hainan and Hanoi, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea
Said, 3 p.m.
Hollong and Pakhoi via Hailong, Noon.
Manila, Noon.
Korea via Incheon, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 16
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
Airmail for Kowloon; Airmail for Kuning and Cebu; Airmail for Taipei; Airmail for Hailong, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow and Amoy; Airmail for Chungking and Chengtu, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea
Rizala, Aden, Egypt, and Marseilles, 3 p.m.
Manila, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Japan and Korea via Canada via Vancouver, 3 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 17
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Said, Karachi, Calcutta, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 18
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 19
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 21
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 22
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 23
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 24
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Bombay, Ceylon, Rangoon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, Manila, Cebu, Hong Kong, (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.
Airmail for Swatow, 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung, 3 p.m.
Swatow, 10 a.m.

Export Of Unmanifested Cargo

Poon Fat-to, aged 45, merchant, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with trying to export from the colony unmanifested cargo.

The prosecution told the court that at 7 p.m. on July 9, defendant attempted to export to Batavia on the ss. Tjandane 12 bundles of miscellaneous cargo. The cargo included plastic hot bottles, plastic belt rings, copper wire brushes, sarong, shoe laces, cigarette lighters, and hair combs.

The prosecution said that the goods in question were permissible to be exported from the colony. Defendant, however, should have declared them to the proper authorities, since they could not possibly be personal effects. The goods were worth about \$10,000.

Defendant said that he had been a merchant in Batavia, and was going back to his native district, Muai Yutan, but because of the present unstable conditions there, he had decided to return to Java. He thought that the best way was to buy goods with the money he had, and bring them back to Java with him.

Defendant was given the option of a fine of \$2,000 or one year in prison.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 8.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T. 12.15 p.m.—Catholic Prayers given by the Rev. Father F. Bousie, S. J. (Studio).

12.30 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling." (Studio).

1.00 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

1.15 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

1.30 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

1.45 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

2.00 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

2.15 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

2.30 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

2.45 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

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4.45 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

5.00 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

5.15 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

5.30 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

5.45 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

6.00 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

6.15 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

6.30 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

6.45 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

7.00 p.m.—Morning News from the British Palace, London, (BBC).

HKDF ORDERS

Serial No. 20. Orders by Colonel L.T. Hise, CBE, ED, Commandant, Hong Kong Defence Force, dated July 14, 1949.

"103. Qualification Course—30 yards Range. The following recruits took this course on the days stated below and achieved the results shown against their names (total in brackets):

Monday, July 11: Recruit D.J. Boyd, 15 10 (25) 1st class shot; Recruit F. Hirt (Reg.), 20 11 7 (38) 2nd class shot; Recruit A.M. Braude, 15 14 14 (43) 2nd class shot; Recruit H.V. Everett, 15 10 8 (40) 2nd class shot; Recruit S.A. Fowler, 20 17 18 (55) 1st class shot; Recruit G.J. Gavriloff, 20 19 18 (57) 1st class shot; Recruit D.R. Holmes, 20 18 11 (57) 1st class shot; Recruit L.R. Robertson, 15 17 12 (45) 2nd class shot; Recruit C.O. Chambers, 15 17 11 (43) 2nd class shot; Recruit E.C. Stewart, 15 19 20 (54) 1st class shot; Recruit J.A.C. Harbatt, 15 19 18 (54) 1st class shot.

Tuesday, July 12: Recruit J.H. Bottomley, 20 14 8 (37) 2nd class shot; Recruit J. Chung, 20 18 18 (66) 1st class shot; Recruit J.L. PAVAN, 15 18 10 (43) 2nd class shot; Recruit H.C. Field, 20 17 4 (38) 2nd class shot; Recruit L.A. Fox, 20 15 10 (45) 2nd class shot; Recruit G.N. Gann, 20 18 12 (50) 1st class shot; Recruit T.A. Mearns, 20 14 7 (40) 2nd class shot; Recruit P.E.C.C. Quah, 20 10 13 (37) 1st class shot; Recruit K.D. Neyer, 15 16 6 (37) 2nd class shot; Recruit G.J. White, 20 17 14 (51) 1st class shot; Recruit H.A. de H. Hirsch, 20 15 16 (51) 1st class shot.

Wednesday, July 13: Recruit W.F. Asanow, 15 18 17 (50) 1st class shot; Recruit S.M.A. Bessie, 25 19 19 (63) 1st class shot; Recruit H. Clark, 20 18 14 (54) 1st class shot; Recruit A.P. Evans, 20 17 17 (51) 1st class shot; Recruit W.F. Macfarlane, 15 18 10 (43) 2nd class shot; Recruit T. K. Pol, 15 17 10 (42) 2nd class shot; Recruit P.B. Arkell, 20 17 14 (51) 1st class shot.

110. Depot Training—week ending July 10. Recruits: A1, A2, A3—First class shot; Part 2: Miniature Range—Application, Squads A4, A5, A6, A7—PMT, 4 Bolt Manipulation, Miniature Range—Competition, Squads A8, A9, A10—4 Bolt Manipulation, Miniature Range—Competition, Squads A11—PWT, 2 Loading and Unloading, Miniature Range—Competition, Squads A12, A13, A14—Course and training, Lying, Prone and kneeling, Squads B1, B2, B3, B4, B5—4 Bolt Manipulation, Part 1, Instruction and Qualification, Squad B11—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B12—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B13—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B14—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B15—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B16—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B17—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B18—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B19—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B20—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B21—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B22—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B23—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B24—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B25—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B26—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B27—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B28—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B29—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B30—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B31—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B32—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B33—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B34—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B35—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B36—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B37—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B38—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B39—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B40—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B41—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B42—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B43—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B44—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B45—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B46—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B47—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B48—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B49—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B50—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B51—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B52—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B53—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B54—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B55—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B56—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B57—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B58—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B59—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B60—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B61—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B62—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B63—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B64—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B65—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B66—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B67—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B68—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B69—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B70—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B71—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B72—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B73—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B74—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B75—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B76—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B77—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B78—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B79—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B80—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B81—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B82—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B83—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B84—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B85—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B86—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B87—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B88—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B89—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B90—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B91—Elevation Table and Aiming down, Squad B92—Elevation Table and Aiming

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OWENDO	Europe	17th July
OYONNAX	Europe	27th July
CHAMPOLLION	Marseilles	29th July
SAILING TO		
OWENDO	Salon	19th July
LEZARDIEUX	Haiphong	19 July
OYONNAX	Haiphong, Tourane, Saigon	19 July
CHAMPOLLION	Japan	20th July
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YESTERDAY

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Hsiao (H & S)	Brilliant	17th July
Hsiao (H & S)	Brilliant	17th July

TODAY

Mausang (Jardine)	ex-Singapore	17th July
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TOMORROW

Bombardier (Jardine)	ex-UK	18th July
Bombardier (Jardine)	ex-UK	18th July
Bombardier (Jardine)	ex-UK	18th July

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

American Transport (Jardine)	for China	17th July
American Transport (Jardine)	for China	17th July
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Anhui (H & S)	Brilliant	17th July
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Vessels In Port

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Arrivals

TODAY

BOAC	ex-Singapore	17th July
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BOAC	ex-Singapore	17th July

TOMORROW

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Departures

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S.S. "CHAKSANG"	Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta	23rd July

ARRIVALS FROM

S.S. "MAUSANG"	Sandakan	15th July
S.S. "WINGSANG"	Keelung & Takao	18th July
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